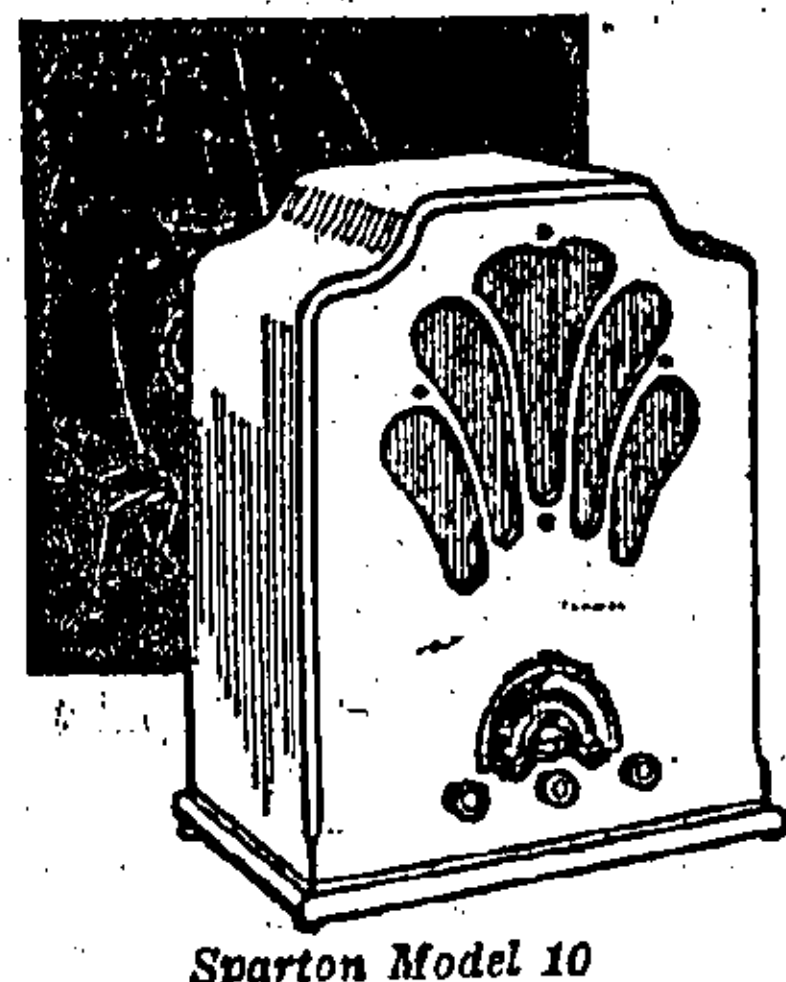


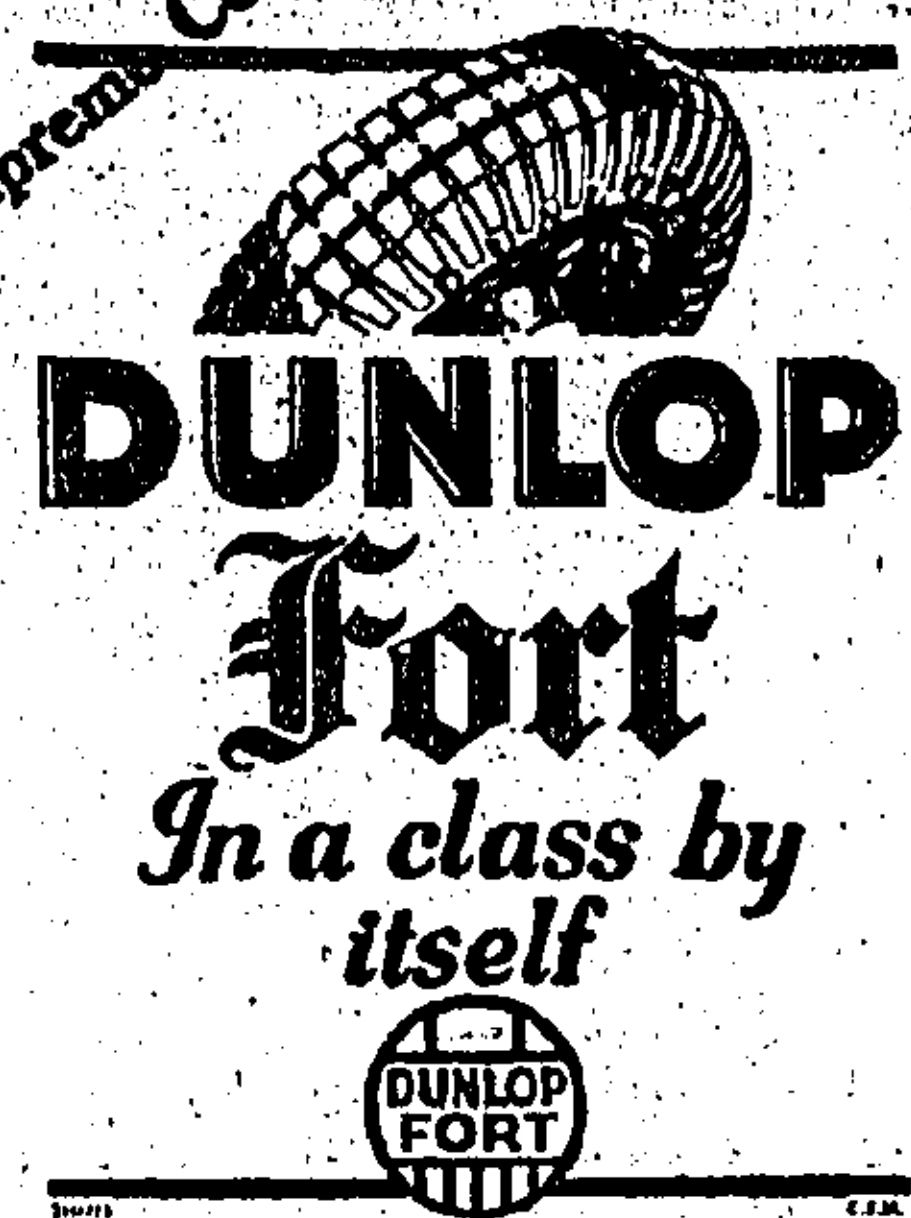


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COLONY AFFAIRS REVIEWED

Sir S. Wilson's Busy Stay
In Hong Kong.

RETURNS FOR HOME TO-DAY.

The matter of aviation, formation of a flying club, the waterworks scheme and the currency question were among the matters discussed by Sir Samuel Wilson, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, during his six-day stay in the Colony.

Interviewed by the *China Mail* immediately before their departure, Sir Samuel and Lady Wilson said they were greatly impressed with Hong Kong. "We think it is a most beautiful place," said Sir Samuel "and what impresses me particularly is the rapid structural development that has been made. I can safely say that Hong Kong compares very favourably with other British Colonies." Sir Samuel said he had discussed many questions with H. E. the Governor, unofficial members of the Legislative Council and many of the leading members of the Chinese community, and he was now in a position to pass on first-hand information concerning Colony matters, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Sir Phillip Cunliffe-Lister.

One of the most important questions discussed by Sir Samuel was the question of the Colony's water supply. He stated that he had seen the plans of the Colony's waterworks and while at present he was not prepared to express any opinion on the subject, he intimated that he would put the matter very fully before the Home authorities.

Regarding the currency question, Sir Samuel said that it had been under his notice, but he was not prepared to make any utterance on such an intricate subject. "It is a matter for the experts," he added.

Sir Samuel discussed with the Government, the matter of aviation and the formation of a flying club in Hong Kong, the discussion being directed on the lines of an enquiry as to what progress could be made.

The question of dumping in the Colony was also opened, and among other matters, the dredging of the Harbour and smuggling.

During his stay, Sir Samuel visited Kai Tak aerodrome, the broadcasting studio, the University and other educational centres.

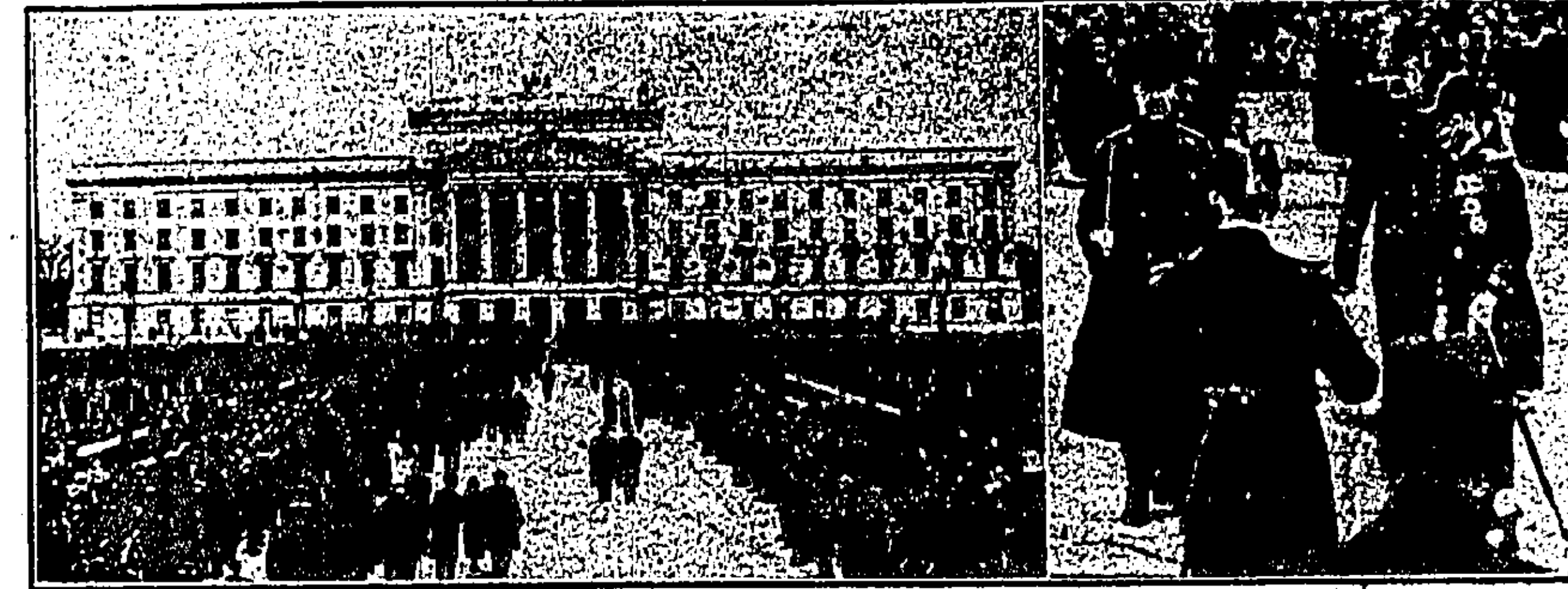
Sir Samuel and Lady Wilson, who arrived in the Colony last Thursday, left at noon to-day on the Blue Funnel liner, s.s. *Sarpedon*. Accompanying them to the ship were the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., and Mrs. Southern also, Captain R. F. Walter, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, Mr. G. E. J. Gent, secretary to Sir Samuel, will accompany Sir Samuel to Ceylon, where the party will stay for two weeks before proceeding to England.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN FINANCING.

British Treasury Backs
Loan.

London, To-day. The House of Commons last night approved a resolution authorising the Treasury, in pursuance of the Austrian protocol drawn up at Geneva on July 15 last, to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest on a loan of such amount as would produce a sum of not more than 1,000,000 gold shillings.

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PRINCE WELCOMED IN ULSTER.—Crowds greeted the Prince of Wales when arrived at Stormont to open the new Parliament Buildings, seen in the left background. H.M. the King, accompanied by the Queen, was present at the inauguration in 1921. The Ceremonial Walk was packed during the opening. On the right, the Prince is taking the salute in front of the Government Buildings.

LOCAL DOLLAR FAILS TO HOLD SLIGHT GAIN

British Funds Improve
In New York.

U. S. MARKET BEARISH.

New York, To-day. A strengthening of British funds was the outstanding feature of the London Stock Exchange yesterday.

The New York market had a bearish tendency, and Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company in their daily report state: "Traders, who were bullish last week, have apparently turned bearish, and trading has been largely professional. We think that outside liquidation is of very small proportions."

Industrials, rails, utilities and bonds showed a downward trend, the drop being most pronounced in industrials, which dropped 1.30 to 58.78.

Business was average, 1,000,000 shares changing hands.—Reuter.

Strength in London.

London, To-day. Following the rise in sterling, the dollar rate strength of British funds was again the principal feature of yesterday's stock exchange.

At the close there were general gains of from a quart to one and half points, with War Loan 3½ per cent at 98½, showing improvement of 1/16 on the day.—British Wireless Service.

Pound Improves Still Further.

Following its advance to 1/3½ yesterday, the dollar slumped to its previous rate, and opened this morning at 1/3½.

Silver prices also declined, the spot price declining from 17 to 16-15/16, while the forward price fell a similar fraction to 17.

The pound maintained its steady advance, the London on New York cross rate being quoted to-day at £-G\$8.32½ as against £-G\$8.31½ yesterday. The New York on London rate, quoted yesterday at £-G\$8.32 stood to-day at £-G\$8.33½.

Geneva Adjourns Discussions

London, To-day. At Geneva yesterday, the Committee of Nineteen adjourned its discussion of the Sino-Japanese conflict until January 16.

The President of the Committee and Secretary-General of the League has been asked to maintain contact with the delegations of Japan and China.—British Wireless Service.

NATIVES PROTECTED IN KENYA GOLDFIELD.

House Of Commons Anxious For
Their Welfare.

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons, an answer of the Colonial Secretary, Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, gave assurance that the Bill introduced into the Legislative Council of Kenya Colony, regarding the mineral rights in the newly discovered Kenya goldfield, provided ample safeguards for the interests of the native population of that area.—British Wireless Service.

British Drivers Set Record

Travel 1,704 Miles In
24 Hours.

London, To-day.

A new motoring record for 24 hours in a 750 c.c.m. class car, was set up by a British car on the Monthery Track, Paris yesterday.

Messrs. Eyston, Denley and Wisdom taking three hour turns at the wheel of the little seven-A. P. M. C. car of standard pattern, covered between yesterday afternoon and this afternoon 2,727 kilometres or approximately 1,704 miles.

The previous stood at 2,534 kilometres, approximately 1,564 miles.—British Wireless Service.

ROWING BLUE JOINS EXPEDITION.

Party To Attack Mount
Everest Completed.

London, To-day.

The personnel of the Mount Everest Expedition, which leaves England early next year to make an attack on the world's highest peak, has been completed by the addition of Mr. R. A. Brocklebank, the well-known Cambridge rowing blue and Mr. L. R. Wager, who was a member of the British Arctic Air Route Expedition of 1930-1931.

Brocklebank three times stroked the Cambridge crew to victory in the boat race.

The party, which includes Mr. F. S. Smyth, who led the expedition which successfully scaled Mount Kamet, the highest peak so far climbed by man, is being led by Mr. Hugh Rutledge, late of the Indian Civil Service. The expedition has been formed by a joint committee of the Royal Geographical Society and the Alpine Club.—British Wireless Service.

BISHOP HALL WILL ARRIVE ON SATURDAY

Travelled Overland
From England.

COMING BY KATORI MARU.

The Right Rev. Ronald Owen Hall, Bishop of Victoria, in succession to the Right Rev. Charles Ridley Duppuy, D.D., who was previously expected to arrive in the Colony from Shanghai on board s.s. *President Monroe* on Friday, is now due on Saturday, travelling by the N.Y.K. s.s. *Katori Maru*.

The Bishop, who travelled via Siberia, will be enthroned in St. John's Cathedral on December 30 at 5.30 p.m., when there will be a full representation of the local clergy, at the service.

The Bishop was formerly Vicar of St. Luke's Church, Newcastle, and was appointed Bishop of Victoria on July 30, this year, and was consecrated in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, on October 28.

TRICK SCALES DISCOVERED IN LEADING STORE

Kowloon Compradore
Fined \$100.

"VERY FLAGRANT CASE."

The Hung Cheong compradore firm, 65, Nathan Road, coal contractors to H.M. Government, and one of the leading compradore shops in Kowloon, was haled before Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning for using a false scale which gave 4 per cent. against the purchaser. A fine of \$100 was imposed, and the scales were ordered confiscated.

The defendant, Li Wai-tang, stated that they had three weighing machines in the shop, and this particular pair of scales was used by the cook for weighing meat and vegetables.

Inspector R. H. E. Marks, prosecuting, said that three cashes were attached to the bottom of the scale pan. It was certainly "a very flagrant case." One did not expect this sort of thing from a leading compradore, he added.

Economic Disaster Of First Order Expected To Follow Independence

The result of withdrawal of free trade from the Philippines by granting them independence, would be to reduce the purchasing power of the Philippine people by more than half and wages would fall to a point where internal disorders could not be avoided, according to the report of the Foreign Trade Club of Southern California, Inc., on Philippine Independence.

NANKING BALANCES BUDGET

Financial Trials
Overcome.

BETTER ADMINISTRATION.

Nanking, To-day.

The Chinese Government was able to balance the last Budget, and this, in spite of the world depression, the slump in the price of silver, the floods in China, the anti-Red campaign and the Japanese invasion, declared Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of Finance, in a statement at the Third Plenary Session of the Central Executive Council.

The extraordinary financial difficulties at the opening of the past year had their inevitable effects on trade, with the consequent panic drop in Domestic Bonds, and rendered out of the question any loans. However, Mr. Soong declared, by stringent economy, improvement in administration, taxes, and the conversion of Domestic Loans, the Government had balanced the Budget. This resulted in the credit of the Chinese Government being much improved at home and abroad.

Domestic bonds now average 40 per cent. higher, and there was also an appreciable rise in Chinese securities in foreign markets.—Reuter.

NO PLANS FOR FRESH PARLEY ON ARMAMENT

Britain And America
Working Alone.

PROBLEMS TO SOLVE.

London, To-day.

Questioned in the House of Commons regarding disarmament, Captain Anthony Eden, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, referred to the resolution of the Disarmament Conference of last July, which invited the Powers' parties to the Washington and the London Naval Treaties to confer. Captain Eden stated that the conversations had accordingly been taking place and efforts had recently been made by the British and American delegations to discover the solution of the outstanding difficulties.

He added that the conversations would continue, but there was no question at present of holding a meeting of these Powers.

He also stated that no decision had yet been taken as to the holding of another meeting of the Five Powers, who recently conferred at Geneva on the work of the Disarmament Conference.—British Wireless Service.

GOODRICH COMPANY SHOWS INCREASED PROFITS.

Dividend Declared Following
Profitable Year.

London, To-day.

At the annual meeting of the Goodrich Rubber Company, Sir Walrod Sinden, Chairman, intimated that the directors were considering an extension of the business, either by building on land adjacent to the company's main factories or by securing an equity in the control of some suitable productive firm already in existence.

Profit shows 20 per cent. over the previous year and a dividend of five per cent. was declared.

Ex-Kaiser's Long Exile Ends

Banishment Decree
Abolished.

Berlin, To-day.

A new presidential decree abolishes ex-Chancellor Von Papen's special courts for political offences, abolishes the decrees compelling newspapers to print official statements, but maintains the law for the protection of the republic, providing special penalties for attempts on the life of the head of the state, insults to the flag, army or navy.

The clause prohibiting the ex-Kaiser's return has been dropped.

The decree is the first important move of the administration in which general Von Schleicher is the Chancellor.—Reuter.

PRODUCTION COST LOSES RICH TRADE

Lancashire Cotton
Industry Hurt.

BY JAPAN COMPETITION.

London, To-day.

In a leader article on the position of the cotton export trade, the invasion of the Empire and other overseas market by Japan, the "Financial Times" says the Ottawa agreements represent the limit to which the industry can look for relief in the fiscal sphere.

More looms per weaver is the most effective way of cheapening cost of production upon a scale sufficient to give Lancashire a chance of meeting the Japanese and other foreign competitors, who have such enormous present advantages in labour and other costs.—Reuter.

PERSIA ANXIOUS FOR AGREEMENT.

Won't Aggravate
Oil Dispute.

London, To-day.

In reply to a telegram from the President of the League Council, requesting that no step should be taken which might affect the status quo and thus aggravate the dispute with Britain regarding the Persian Oil Concession, the Persian Government gives assurance that it will "continue to abstain from any act calculated to aggravate or extend the alleged dispute."

The Persian Government also expresses the belief that the cancellation of the Company's concession is not calculated to provoke conflict between the two Governments, seeing that it has from the outset expressed a desire to arrive at an equitable agreement with the Company.—British Wireless Service.

THREE MEN IN SERIOUS MOTOR CRASH AT TAIPO

Swerved To Avoid
Bad Collision.

DRIVER SLIGHTLY INJURED.

Three Europeans escaped possible death in a sensational motor accident at Tai-po, it was revealed to-day, when their car left the road and plunged into the water.

On Sunday morning, Mr. E. S. Abrahams, driving his Riley Alpine 9, was proceeding to Fanning from Hong Kong, accompanied by Mr. Christophes and Mr. Eliasson.

On crossing the bridge just below the Tai-po Police Station on the island, they suddenly met a car, driven by Mr. C. W. Jeffries, Director of the Royal Observatory. They swerved to avoid a collision. Mr. Abrahams tried to negotiate the sharp left-hand turn, but the car, travelling at considerable speed, was unable to make it. The two right-hand wheels left the road. Mr. Abrahams was quick enough to switch the wheel around, and the car kept to the road for the moment. But it was out of control, and sliding over the bank, it dropped into the sea.

Although his shoulder was injured and he was severely shaken, Mr. Abrahams got clear of the car. His companions were able to climb out readily enough. They waded ashore.

Mr. Abrahams, of Tester and Abraham, brokers, was confined to his bed as a result of the mishap, until to-day. The car is a complete wreck.

CLERK GIVEN FOUR YEARS FOR THEFT

Admits Embezzlement
Of \$13,000.

GAMBLING WEAKNESS.

Lo Lau formerly a clerk in Thomas Cook and Son, Ltd. was this morning sentenced to four years' hard labour for the embezzlement of \$13,000. Accused pleaded guilty.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, stated that the accused on July 2, 1932, stole currency amounting to about \$13,000 in Hong Kong currency. The accused was arrested in November as he came off the Canton boat at the wharf.

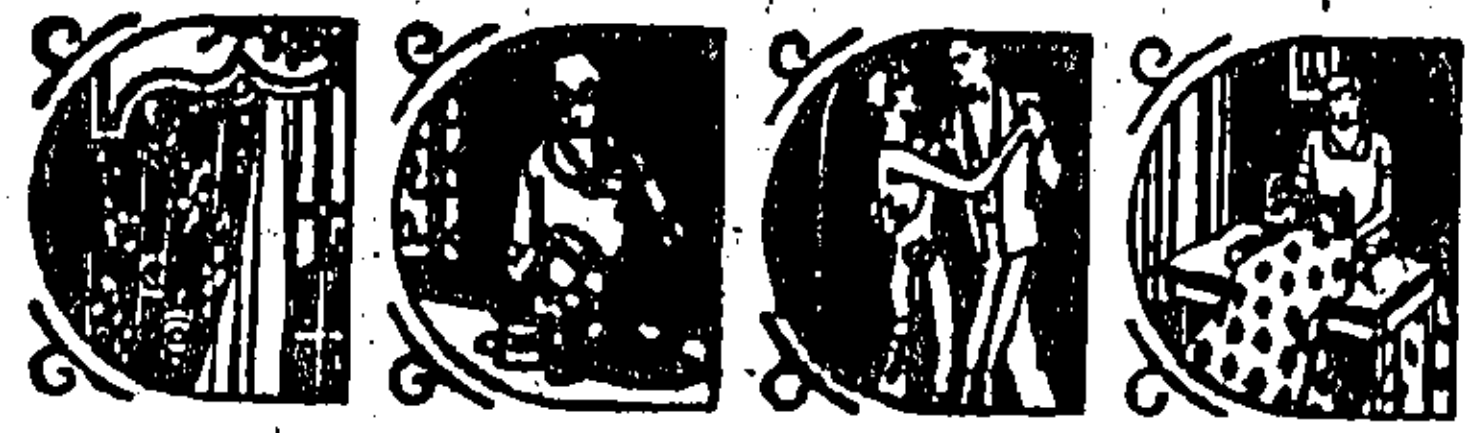
Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. H. C. Lee of Wilkinson and Grist, appeared on behalf of the accused, and pleaded extenuating circumstances.

He submitted that the man was more fool than criminal, and that his downfall after a career of useful service was brought about by a weakness for gambling.

The prisoner on the day in question walked out of the office with the stolen money in his pockets, and proceeded to dissipate the proceeds, hence he could make no restitution.

FREE STATE TO PAY AMERICA

Buffalo, To-day. An official statement confirms the reported intention of the Free State Government to repay the balance due in respect of the \$1,500,000 loan floated in the United States in 1918 and 1920.—Reuter.



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Amazing Colour Schemes Worked In Oriental Motif

Oriental rugs, the aristocrats of the floor, are not only fine examples of what artists can do with colour, but they also serve as an interesting basis for evolving the colour scheme to be woven into a room. Whether one large rug reaches from wall to wall or small ones are scattered about the floor, there are usually a few hues which dominate and there are bits of strong colour which appear more sparingly. Just how to bring some of these hues up into the furnishings—the table cover, fabrics on chairs, draperies and pillows—is a task taxing one's originality.

Since so much pattern is evident in rugs from the Orient, a few rather timid homemakers have felt that the walls, draperies, and upholstery should be entirely of plain coloured material. This, however, leaves practically all of the interest flat on the floor. There is actually too much contrast between the large areas of the sombre one-toned walls and draperies and the little figures or designs in the floor covering. The walls may seem to have come from some other part of the house while the floor appears a misfit.

Balancing Patterns.
To be sure, it is quite possible to go to the opposite extreme, where too much pattern spreads itself in a room. If animated scenic paper runs around the wall, and vivid flowers and vines in the hangings climb at the windows and bold designs swing and swerve in chairs, the whole room would obviously seem too "busy," simultaneously attracting one's notice hither and yon.

With a little courage and patience a happy medium can be arrived at. A landscape wall paper, for instance, might go very well with Oriental rugs if the paper is kept in different shades of the same colour. Indeed, a paper was seen recently which had diffused and indefinite scenes in three shades of gray. It had just enough pattern to be interesting and yet was indefinite enough to remain as a background.

Two-Tone Draperies.
In draperies, two-toned materials such as silk damask are often very successful. Even hand-blocked linens of several colours, if

well chosen, can go well with Oriental rugs. In this case there should be some contrast in the size of the patterns. If the rug has a small figured pattern then a bold pattern in hangings is usually more pleasing. Or if the rug presents quite a decided design this can be contrasted with a more delicate pattern at the windows.

If apparently too much pattern has crept in, a room can be toned down sometimes by using a plain, dull-coloured slip cover to hide a chair, using a dashing little pillow in its corner. Touches of needlepoint or crewel work on one or two of the chairs usually blend in with the luxuries on the floor.

Repeating Accents.
Many places in the room give opportunities for repeating some of the bits of contrasting colours in the rugs. The lining of an open shelf bookcase was observed recently which was lacquered in salmon colour, which was one of the striking accents in the oriental rug. A picture frame or a vase, book ends or portfolio may carry tones



similar to those found in the rug. It is almost incredible, but nevertheless true, that a conspicuous object might clash in one part of the room and harmonize in another, especially in the case of antique Orientals, which are so individual that even in one small rug the colours at two ends may differ decidedly. A large living room was noticed recently, which had seven small rugs on the floor but arranged so that the prevailing colour gradually moved from rust at one end of the room to old blue at the other, although all rugs contained both colours.

MENU SUGGESTIONS FOR TO-MORROW.

Tomato Juice Cocktail
Roast Turkey and Stuffing
Candied Sweet Potatoes
Bread Currant Jelly
Cranberry Sauce
Vegetable Salad Salad Dressing
Thanksgiving Pudding
Whipped Cream
Coffee
Salted Nuts Raisins

Roast Turkey
12 pound turkey
1 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons flour
1/8 cup butter
2 cups boiling water
Clean and truss turkey. Chill until ready to bake. Stuff turkey, sew up cavities with stout thread. Arrange in baking pan and rub with salt and flour. Cover and bake 15 minutes in hot oven. Reduce heat and baste turkey with butter and water. Cover and bake for 4 1/2 hours. If the turkey browns too much, during the last hour of baking cover with a cloth dipped in warm water. This will make the fowl very moist and give a soft crusty skin which is desirable.

Stuffing.
6 cups crumbled bread
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon poultry seasoning
1/4 teaspoon celery salt
1/4 teaspoon onion salt
1/2 cup butter, melted
1 egg
Lightly mix ingredients and stuff fowl.

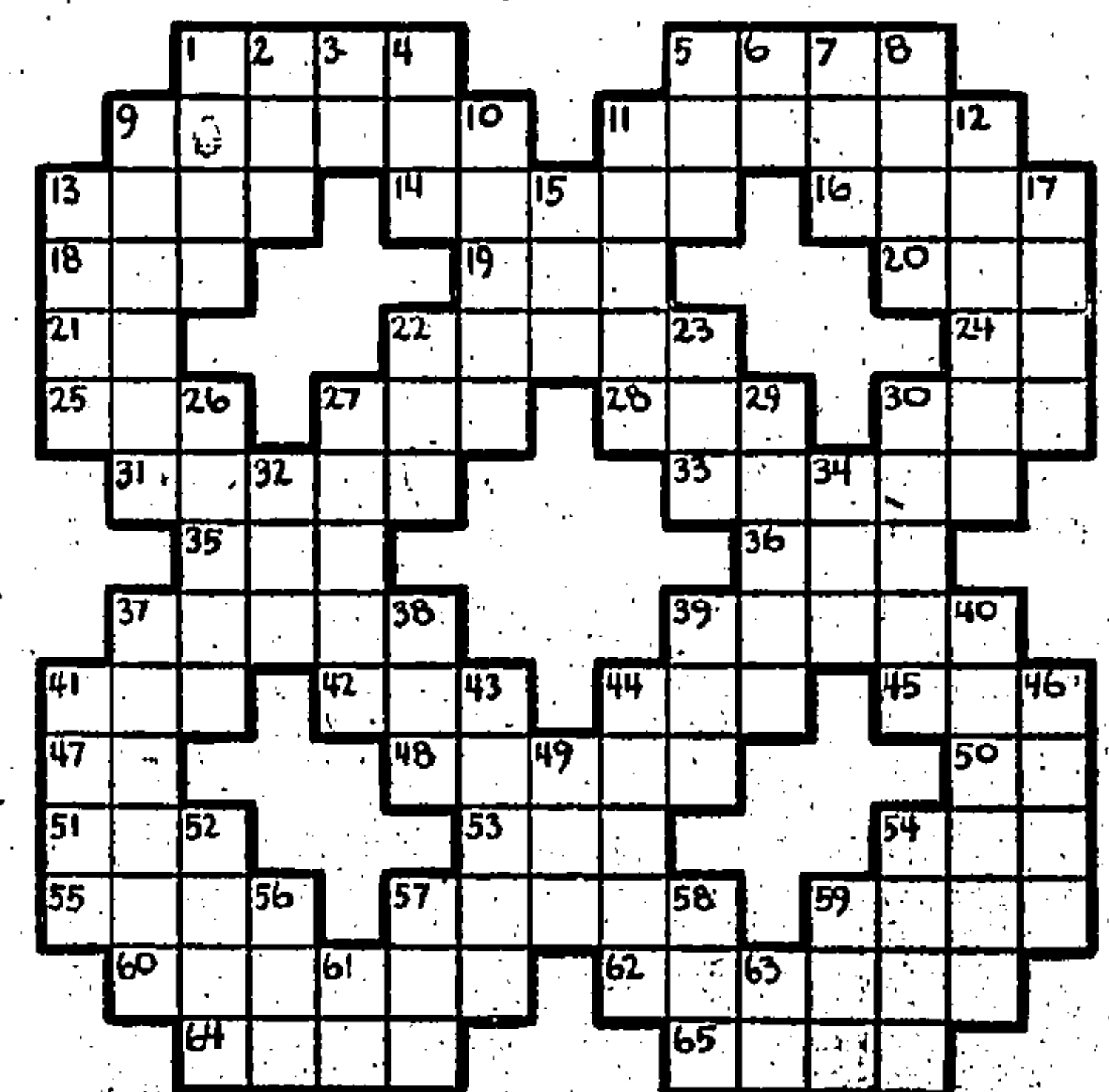
Prune Pudding
(Serving six)
1 cup sugar
5 tablespoons flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup prune juice
1 cup cooked, seeded prunes
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 egg
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup nuts
Mix sugar, flour and salt. Add prune juice and prunes. Cook slowly and stir constantly until pudding is thick and creamy. Add rest of ingredients and cook one minute. Pour into glass dishes. Cool and chill. Serve with plain or whipped cream. This dessert can be made the day prior to serving.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alibi.)



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Rave | 45-To use needle and thread | 12-Fatigued |
| 5-To utter brokenly | 47-Bone (Latin) | 13-Linger |
| 6-Wheeled vehicles | 48-Cloaks | 15-Short sleep |
| 11-Filled down | 50-Father (short) | 17-Want |
| 13-Salary | 51-A beverage | 22-The (Fr.) |
| 14-Natives of Denmark | 53-Employ | 23-A color |
| 15-Scooter | 54-Kitchen utensil | 26-Din |
| 17-Farm animal | 55-Lairs | 27-Large plant (pl.) |
| 19-A color | 57-Refund | 29-To give pleasure to |
| 20-Part of the foot | 59-Halt | 30-Goods |
| 21-Prison | 60-Earlier | 32-Skill |
| 22-One afflicted with leprosy | 62-To be sorry for | 34-Consums |
| 24-Prison | 64-Stain | 37-Parageways |
| 25-Half a score | 65-Covers | 38-Uncooked |
| 27-To spread loosely for drying, as flax | | 39-Prison |
| | VERTICAL | 40-A meal |
| | 1-Tatters | 41-Amphibian |
| | 2-Grow old | 43-More genuine |
| | 3-Depart | 44-Weapon with a pointed head |
| | 4-Terminate | 46-Desire |
| | 5-Auto fuel | 49-Serpent |
| | 6-Because | 52-Boy's name |
| | 7-Mineral spring | 54-Enclosures |
| | 8-Combining form | 58-Mop |
| | 9-Spends | 57-To steep |
| | 10-Satisfied | 58-Besides |
| | 11-Regenerate | 59-A cloth material |
| | | 61-Negative |
| | | 63-Italian river |

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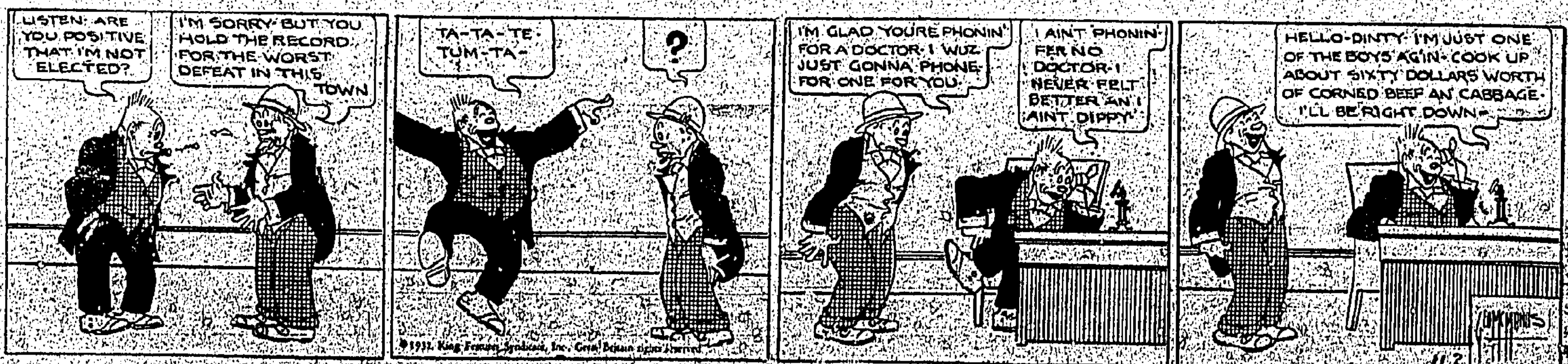
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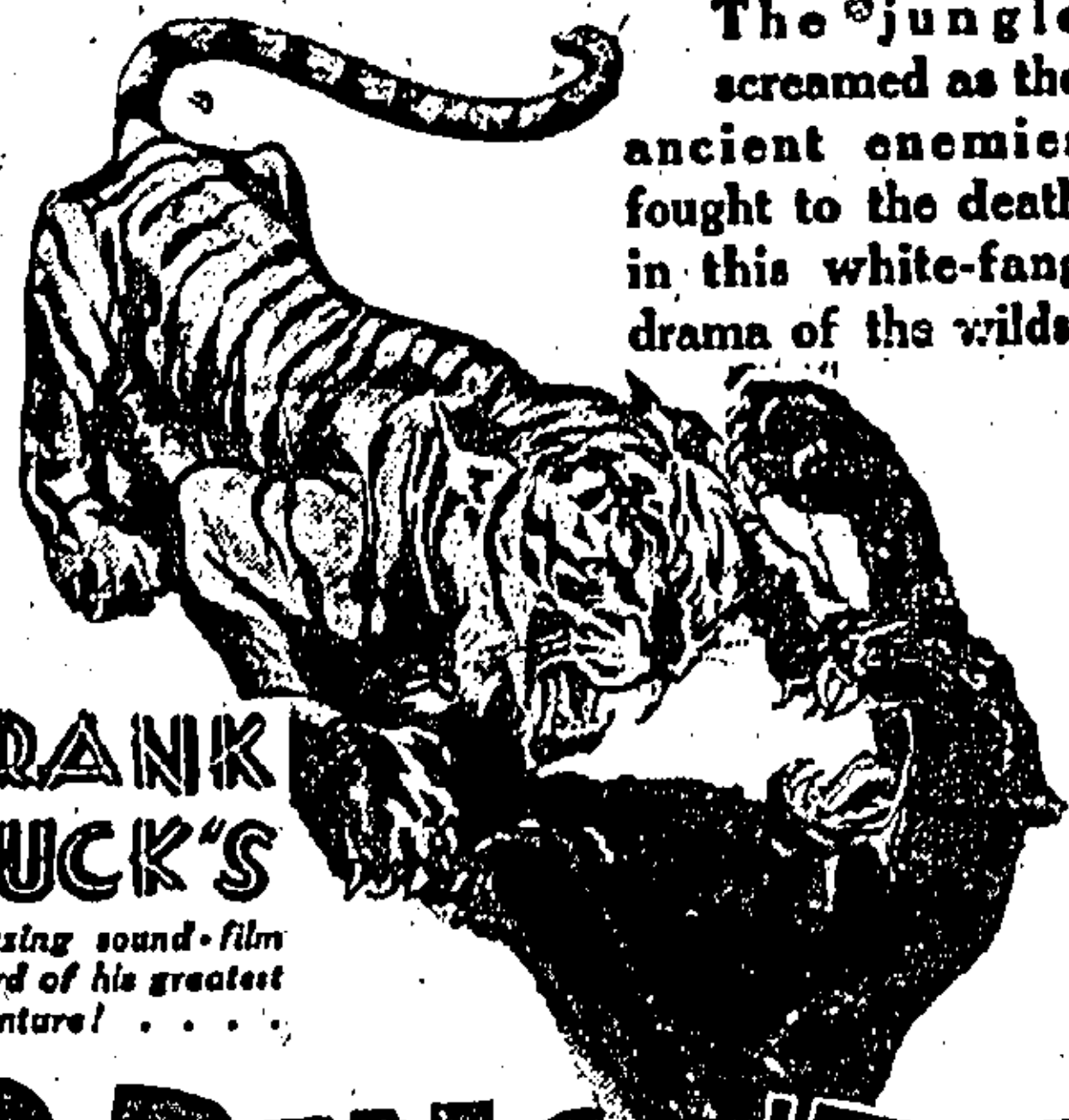
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produce, and more trying to enact
than any other form of play. It
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exasperating to watch.

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ments upon "My Hat," produced
at the New Theatre, prompt me to
inquire from all who are competent
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and produced" by such a past-
master of farce as Leslie Henson,
presented by one of the most suc-
cessful managements interested in
this light and highly profitable
order of play, acted by as notable
a gathering of comedians as the
West-end of London could wish
for, and yet failing to meet any
reasonable measure of critical ap-
proval, and being described by one
of our most eminent appraisers as
"a piece of horseplay" at which
even a horse could not reasonably
laugh.

I have, in any time, sufficiently
covered myself with ridicule try-
ing to write for the stage irrespon-
sible nonsense. These was a cer-
tain method in my folly, but my
plan, for what it was worth, ceased
to be apparent almost as soon as
it left the hands of the stenogra-
pher. Is there any royal road to
success in farce?

The Tom Walls-Ralph Lynn com-
bination at the Aldwych would
seem to indicate that there
is. Mr. Firth Shephard and
Mr. Leslie Henson have

made thousands of pounds on
a farcical formula known only to
themselves. Every syndicate pro-
moter in the theatre world uses
the financial triumphs of farces
like "Charley's Aunt," "The Pri-
vate Secretary," and "When
Knights were Bold," to bait his
hook for a "sugar daddy."

The Solid Foundation.
Yet it is the commonest thing in
the theatre for farces continually
to crop up, the fun in which is far
to seek, and which even brilliant
acting fails to save.

The great farce actors of the
world are mostly tragedians who
have lost their way or are handi-
capped by some physical pecu-
liarity from fulfilling their true
destiny. The nearer to true pathos
the farceur can go without ever
getting there, the more we laugh
at him.

For there is something in us all
supremely cruel that compels us to
laugh at others' misfortunes. I
did not find "My Hat" in the least
funny, except when Kay Hammond
was on the stage, though I admit
I heard much friendly laughter
around me. And I ascribe the fact
to the circumstance that the
troubles arising to the parties in
the plot never seemed real enough
or serious enough to call for my
attention in any form of mood.

When "Babs" puts on woman's
clothes in "Charley's Aunt" and
endures a world of agonies in con-
sequence, audiences have laughed
at him and them, because the
plausibility and the conviction of
the play's basis are solid and un-
assailable. The same state of
things applies to every money-

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WELLINGTON.

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play about the Duke of Wellington,
called "The Iron Duke," which he
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well-known Glasgow journalist,
who wrote "Thunder on the Left,"
a play that was seen at the Duke
of York's several years ago.

Basil Foster is also looking
ahead. He has bought a comedy
by Archie Menzies and a collabora-
tor who hides his identity under
the name of "Major," but he is
unlikely to need it until next year,
for "Orders are Orders" is
a big success at the Shaftesbury
bury.

making farce ever written. In
"My Hat" the events and the
characters are so incredible and so
involved that they cease to be
amusing, because they have no
foundation in truth.

Paradox Of Farce.
This is the paradox of farce.
In its aim, which is the ridiculous,
it must never lose sight of the
essential verities. And people
must really suffer and really en-
dure before we can start laughing
at them.

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his authors and giving them all an
air of intense actuality, is a case
very much to the point.

In Mr. Henson's last experiment,
fun is sought for by means of
suspicious wives who have no
justification for their suspicions
and by a high explosive which ob-
viously would not blow up a mos-
quito. The one success of the en-
tire cast is made in the part of a
servant who really does have cause
to be terrified and whose character
meets with true farcical fortitude
the blows showered on her by fate.

Loss of sincerity is as lament-
able a defect in the writing of a
farce as in the playing of it. Odd
it is, but none the less accurate,
that the more seriously farces are
taken the more laughable they
prove. To be consciously funny is
the humorist's debase.

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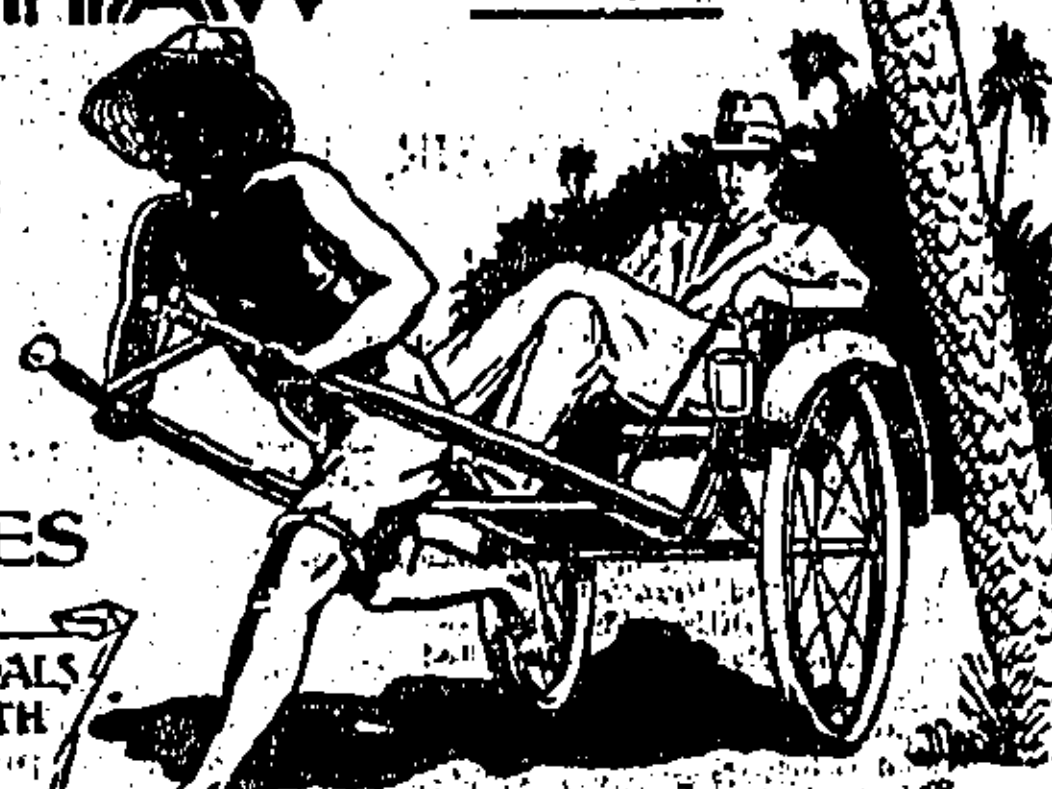
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MAIL REVIEW

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MAIL REVIEW

"DISORDERLY CONDUCT"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

Bright entertainment is provided in "Disorderly Conduct" now showing at the Oriental Theatre. Spencer Tracy is excellent as the American traffic policeman, while Sally Eilers renders good support with Ralph Bellamy and El Brendel.

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Etincelles (Moszkowsky).

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(b) Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakow).

(c) Valse Triste (Sibelius).

Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

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A Chopin Pianoforte Recital by Miss Amelia Lee.

10.15-10.30 p.m.—A Selection of records from Z.B.W.'s Library.

Moonbeams and Shadows (Squire).

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Valse Caprice (Rubenstein).

Perpetuum Mobile (Wagner).

The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

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10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

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The funeral took place in the afternoon. The cortege, leaving the Mortuary at Morrison Hill Gap Road, was joined at the junction of Queen's Road and Bonham Strand by a Police party under the charge of Sub-Inspector Fender.

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British Trade with Russia.

An absurd amount of fuss has been made, not so much in the House of Commons as by Russian propagandists outside it, over the notice given to terminate the existing trade agreement with Russia and the simultaneous invitation to negotiate another on more satisfactory lines. Not only has it been known ever since the Ottawa agreements were announced that this step must be taken to keep faith with the Dominions; it was clear before the Conference met that, if the preferences sought by the Dominions were not to be illusory, the Government would have to resume the power to prohibit the dumping of competing products at prices below the cost of production. As practised by the Soviet monopoly this dumping had on more than one occasion helped disastrously to disorganize the wheat and timber markets. Furthermore it has long been recognized that the agreement as it stands is hopelessly one-sided, and would have to be revised if ever our trade with Russia were to be put on a sound basis. In particular the most-favoured-nation clause, as Mr. Baldwin explained to the House, is quite out of place in a commercial agreement between a country like Great Britain, where trade is in the hands of private individuals free to buy and sell where they please, and a country like Soviet Russia, where all trade is a monopoly controlled by the Government. By this clause the British Government are compelled to allow their nationals to buy Russian goods whenever it suits their individual interest or takes their fancy to do so, while the Soviet Government, keeping all trade as a monopoly in their own hands, retain full liberty to reduce their purchases from Great Britain to whatever level they wish. The clause, as it affects British purchases from Russia, means a very great deal; as affecting Russian purchases from Great Britain it means nothing at all. And the Government monopoly of trade in Russia raises other problems which will have to be carefully considered in negotiating the new agreement. Nearly two years ago the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, in the Annual Report of its Board of Directors, pointed out the dangers of the existing arrangements and urged that the Government should set about removing them. Quoting cases in its form extant, "When we thus

point the report showed that a gigantic business monopoly like the Soviet, which makes all trade the business of the State and which has absolute control over all production and wages within its borders, as well as over all distribution, may find it an advantage at a given moment to sell at prices with which the rest of the world cannot compete. And such action, it was pointed out in the report, causes so much disturbance in the economic situation that other countries will be forced sooner or later to protect themselves. The only criticism which can reasonably be made of the step now taken by the Government is that it is belated. The business men of Manchester clearly realized that it was necessary two years ago. There is no question of boycotting Russia, or of impeding her economic development, or of dictating to her the form this development shall take; but any trade agreement with her must leave the British Government free to take such measures as may be needed to protect our own economic interests and those of the Dominions against the dangers set out in the Manchester report.

Columbus, Scientist.

Publication by the New York Public Library of Dr. Edward L. Stevenson's translation of the Geography of Ptolemy at a time when the Western world is about to observe the 430th anniversary of the discovery of America serves the useful purpose of enabling us to appraise the achievements of Columbus. The great voyage undertaken in 1492 in quest of Cathay could be successful only if the Ptolemaic conception of the earth as a sphere was correct. That the navigators of the fifteenth century believed in a flat world is simply untrue. They were all steeped in the Geography. Besides, we have the biography of Columbus, written by his son, to testify to the hold that Ptolemy had upon the great Genoese. So, in setting out over what he had reason to believe was but a single ocean that separated him from the Far East Columbus subjected a theory in geometry to a deliberate test. It may seem strange to link Ptolemy with Einstein and Columbus with the physicists who proved the truth of relativity with telescopes and spectrometers. Yet Ptolemy and Einstein both gave us conceptions of the universe based on geometry alone. The bold voyage of the West introduced the modern scientific method—a method based on hypothesis and verification. Science had at last become realistic. It had begun its experimental study of the universe by examining the earth in the light of the best theory of its form extant. When we thus

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"What's all this noise about?" Father demanded of one of the twins. "Nanny's given me two baths and says I'm Freddie."

Two of his mates, by standing on each to extricate him.—Evening Paper.
Nobly tying themselves in awkward knots in the process.

A young man who has a lot of invitations for Christmas says that he does not care whether it is incorrect to wear a watch with dress-clothes, because he never has a watch and a dress-suit at the same time.

Facts You Did Not Know.

A new pocket knife that contains one blade and a nail file resembles a coin when closed.

London is increasing its telephone service at a rate of about 125,000 new subscribers a year.

Cotton is the principal substance used in the manufacture of a new transparent wrapping material.

Hungary is such a self-sustaining country that salt is the only food product that it is obliged to import.

Transparent adhesive tape has been invented for holding drawings on drafting boards in place of thumb tacks.

View the achievement of Columbus the lighthouse which is to be erected to his memory at Santo Domingo, the first permanent European settlement in the West, appears more than a tribute to physical courage. Its beams will serve not only to guide his successors to ports of that pilots, and passengers in R.A.F. New World which he unwittingly discovered but to remind the peoples of North and South America and of the West and the East that science has taught them what they know about the earth beneath their feet and the heavens above, and that if in science they can sink their differences in an effort to broaden their knowledge of the cosmos there is hope for a better understanding in settling the issues raised by economic strife and international politics. The pre-brother following brother at the sent is no propitious time to head of a fighting. Service is re-collect funds for the erection of a monument for which a design has already been selected. But wish to retire in order to accelerate the governing board of the Pan American Union, does well to the Royal Air Force. Though only proceed with the organization of 51 years of age, he has behind him a national Columbus lighthouse, and his elevation to a project that will the command of the Service, was do honour not only to Columbus everywhere acclaimed when he succumbed to the spirit of science that needed Lord Trenchard more than two years ago. His brother takes

TRANS-OCEAN AIRWAY
BRITISH LAUNCH GREAT
FLYING BOAT

AIR TRAVEL MADE SAFE

It is considered that the possibility of a British transatlantic service is brought appreciably nearer by the launching of the new giant Short flying boat, largest of its type in the world. Although the Short boat was built for military purposes, and its exact performance is therefore still a secret, it is known that certain features in its performance would be equally valuable for a civil flying boat assigned for long overseas flights. It was for this reason that the Air Ministry felt able to terminate work on the Supermarine-Vickers giant designed especially for a transatlantic service.

The transatlantic route which is being considered is via the Azores and the Bermudas. No existing flying boat could perform these flights with an adequate pay load, but it is believed that the new Short boat, modified for civil use would be capable of making the journey with passengers and mails. Its six engines would eliminate any risk of forced landing, and there would be ample room for sleeping accommodation in the spacious hull. The cruising speed is sufficiently high to deal adequately with any contrary winds.

If the Short boat proves satisfactory, it is probable that the construction of a sister ship, designed for civil use, will be considered with a view to the transatlantic airway being operated at an early date.

Novel experiments are now proceeding having as their object the securing of parachute safety for airline passengers. At present parachutes are not carried on an airline, as it is believed that the ordinary passenger would not possess the necessary experience to use them in an emergency.

One proposal which has been tested takes the form of a giant parachute for the plane, which is opened by the pilot in the case of emergency, and lowers the whole machine safely to earth. Although this has proved successful in experiment, it would be of little use in the case of a fire.

An alternative is to make the passenger cabin in the form of a detachable box with its own parachute. Pulling a lever automatically releases the cabin, which drops out of the fuselage, dragging open the parachute as it falls. The pilot escapes separately with his own parachute.

Control by Pilot.
A third alternative has just been tried out which provides each passenger with a parachute attached to the seat. The pilot pulls a lever, the seats are swung out through doors and dropped, and at the same time a metal band passes round the passenger's waist to prevent his falling out. In experiments made in America, passengers were safely released in this way, and landed in a field still sitting in their seats.

Experts in this country, however, are inclined to doubt the fool proof working of such devices, particularly in a case of structural failure. The extra weight is also against their adoption. It is unlikely at the present time that English airlines will use parachute devices for their passengers.

A more constructive suggestion is that light aeroplanes pilots and passengers should be legally required to carry parachutes. At present all his successors to ports of that pilots, and passengers in R.A.F. New World which he unwittingly discovered but to remind the peoples of North and South America and of the West and the East that science has taught them what they know about the earth beneath their feet and the heavens above, and that if in science they can sink their differences in an effort to broaden their knowledge of the cosmos there is hope for a better understanding in settling the issues raised by economic strife and international politics. The pre-brother following brother at the sent is no propitious time to head of a fighting. Service is re-collect funds for the erection of a monument for which a design has already been selected. But wish to retire in order to accelerate the governing board of the Pan American Union, does well to the Royal Air Force. Though only proceed with the organization of 51 years of age, he has behind him a national Columbus lighthouse, and his elevation to a project that will the command of the Service, was do honour not only to Columbus everywhere acclaimed when he succumbed to the spirit of science that needed Lord Trenchard more than two years ago. His brother takes

Quite unprecedented in the history of the fighting forces is the succession, announced by the Air Ministry, of Air Marshal Sir Geoffrey Salmond to the post of Chief of the Air Staff, held by his standing in settling the issues raised by economic strife and international politics. The pre-brother following brother at the sent is no propitious time to head of a fighting. Service is re-collect funds for the erection of a monument for which a design has already been selected. But wish to retire in order to accelerate the governing board of the Pan American Union, does well to the Royal Air Force. Though only proceed with the organization of 51 years of age, he has behind him a national Columbus lighthouse, and his elevation to a project that will the command of the Service, was do honour not only to Columbus everywhere acclaimed when he succumbed to the spirit of science that needed Lord Trenchard more than two years ago. His brother takes

QUARRY BAY SCHOOL PRIZE-GIVING.

Pupils Present Concert Programme.

At the prize-giving at the Quarry Bay school, yesterday, the pupils presented a delightful concert. The main feature of the programme, was the presentation scenes from "The Blue Bird" (Masterlinck), the supporting items being carol singing, dancing and orchestral selections by the "Percussion Band."

News In Brief.

H.M.S. Suffolk of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron left for exercises on Monday, but will return by the week end.

Fung Po-wan was yesterday acquitted in the Supreme Court before Mr. Justice Wood on a charge of attempting to murder his two children.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Euro-American Returned Students' Union held at the office of Messrs. Lo and Lo, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mr. Wan Lu-sing; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Leung Sai-wah; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Li Shu-fong; Committee, Messrs. Lo Po-in, Chau Kwan-lum, M.K. Lo and Horace Lo.

Interesting references to the history of the Theatre Royal and of the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club's performances during the past twenty years, were contained in an address to the Rotary Club at Gloucester Building, yesterday, given by Rotarian W. A. Cornell, and entitled "Some Reminiscences of Happy Days and Nights at the Theatre Royal, Hong Kong."

FRENCH POLICY KILLS HOPE OF TRADE TREATY

America Incensed
Over War Debts.

CONDEMN THE DEFAULTERS.

Washington, To-day.
With "International pay day" passed, and the bulk of the \$123,641,698 due America from the European nations, paid by Great Britain, France, the chief defaulter, has been assailed as "ungrateful" and the action of her parliament "unwise" by Senators and representatives alike.

Assurances were received in advance that more than \$100,000,000 of the instalment on Europe's war debt of nearly twelve billions would be paid. But Belgium, as well as France, voted not to meet her obligation.

France was envisioned in official and congressional quarters as in an isolated position in consequence of the Chamber of Deputies' decision against paying, except under unacceptable conditions.

Negotiations between France and the United States for a commercial treaty probably will be suspended automatically with the default, as conditions will not be favourable for their continuance.

The announcement that Great Britain would pay the \$95,550,000 that country owes was greeted with satisfaction. France's payment of \$19,261,438 and Belgium's of \$2,125,000 were to be applied to interest. Of the British instalment \$30,000,000 will be applied to the principal of her obligation of more than \$4,000,000,000.

Not Qualified.
Ambassador Claudel received instructions the day before payment was due, from ex-Premier Edouard Herriot, whose ministry resigned after the Chamber of Deputies vote, to inform the State Department that M. Herriot no longer was qualified to continue the negotiations. As the situation now stands the new ministry will reopen the negotiations.

The British plan was to tender payment with a statement that it is made under protest or with reservations until the British policy of complete cancellation, or at least drastic revision of the international debt burden dating back to the World War, is realized.

But Secretary of State Stimson previously informed London that no conditions could be accepted as binding, sole Congress having the power to alter existing agreements, and the exchange of notes that started a month ago ended with both governments apparently enjoying a complete understanding.

Congress Firm.
The French action was not calculated to soften the sentiment of a Congress already on record from last December when the Hoover one-year moratorium on the payments was ratified, against cancellation or revision.

"They may talk all they want to but Congress won't do anything about it," said Speaker John N. Garner when the concerted drive by the debtor nations for suspension and better terms started November 11, and his attitude reflected that of a large section of both branches.

The following amounts were due on December 15, and Britain and Italy, alone, met their obligation: Belgium \$2,125,000; Czechoslovakia \$1,500,000; Estonia \$266,000; Finland \$186,235; France \$19,261,438; Great Britain \$95,550,000; Italy \$1,245,437; Latvia \$111,852; Lithuania \$92,886; and Poland \$3,302,980.

ORCHESTRAL CONCERT AT LEE THEATRE.

Mixed Navy Bands Give Fine Programme.

A disappointing house attended the Grand Symphony Concert rendered by the mixed bands of H. M. S. Kent, Cornwall, Suffolk and Hermes, at the Lee Theatre last night.

The opening piece, the Guillaume (William) Tell overture, was well applauded as was the two following pieces, Petite Suite de Concert and the popular Notturmo No. 3, "Liebestraum."

A Symphony, No. 40 in G Minor was excellent the clarinet effects being exceptionally well rendered.

The second half of the programme opened with the ever popular Light Opera "The Gondoliers," given to-night.

COLONY'S HEALTH OBSERVED.

Malarial & Tubercular
Cases Considered.

MR. LO'S QUESTIONS.

Questions regarding the malaria and tubercular problem were asked by Mr. M. K. Lo at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board.

Mr. G. R. Sayer, the President of the Board answered the questions fully, stating the number of deaths that had occurred from each ailment during recent years.

Regarding tuberculosis, Mr. Sayer said that the Government was fully alive to the need for an infirmary and the matter would be further considered when the finances of the Colony permitted.

Mr. Lo's questions were as follows:—
"With reference to my questions on the 9th December, 1930, the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies of the same day, my further questions on the 8th December, 1931, and the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies of the same day, regarding Malaria and its prevention in Hong Kong:—

(i).—Will the Head of the Sanitary Department be kind enough to ascertain from the Government, and inform this Board, whether the "comprehensive survey of the Colony" by the Malariaologist has now been completed and when it will be published or made available for information of this Board?

(ii).—In regard to the following question which formed part of the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies to my questions on the 8th December, 1931, namely:—

"A sum of \$150,000 has been included for Anti-malarial works in the Estimates for 1932 and the Government is in consultation with the owners of property affected in certain of the areas with a view to commencing work early next year."

Can the Head of the Sanitary Department give any information to this Board as to whether, and if so, what, Anti-malarial work has been effected during 1932?

(iii).—Will the Head of the Sanitary Department be kind enough to tabulate for the information of this Board the number of deaths attributable to Malaria reported as occurring in the Colony in 1929, 1930, 1931 and up to the end of November, 1932?"

"With reference to the Motion which was passed by the Sanitary Board on February 18, 1930 in regard to the prevalence of Tuberculosis in the Colony, and which urged the Government, inter alia, to consider the feasibility of providing some form of 'Poor Law' infirmary for the care of chronic cases," to the questions which I addressed to the Head of the Sanitary Department on July 22, 1930, including, inter alia—(c) In particular whether any decision has been come to in regard to the feasibility of providing some form of 'Poor Law' infirmary for the care of Chinese cases," and to the Head of the Sanitary Department's reply on the same date in the following terms:—

"(c) As regards the provisions of a 'Poor Law' infirmary for the tubercular, the Government, though sympathetic, considers that priority must be given to the erection of a new Government Civil Hospital, the extension of the Kowloon Hospital, and the construction of a properly designed Infectious Diseases Hospital."

(i).—Will the Head of the Sanitary Department state whether or not the question of providing 'Poor Law' infirmaries for the treatment of tubercular cases, which was recommended by the Honourable the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services at the meeting of the Sanitary Board held on February 18, 1930, is still under consideration by the Government and, in view of the fact that provisions have apparently now been made for the construction of a new Government Civil Hospital and for the extension of the Kowloon Hospital, whether any definite announcement can be made as to how soon such infirmaries can be provided?"

The finest piece of the programme, A Concert Waltz and a Military March, orchestrated, arranged brought an excellent programme to a conclusion.

Another performance will be given to-night.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

A.O.F.C. Quotations.

New York, Yesterday.

Dow Jones Averages.

	Last	To-day's	Change
30 Industrials	69.08	68.76	1.30 down
20 Rails	27.35	28.30	.95 down
20 Utilities	28.01	27.37	.64 down
40 Bonds	77.55	77.25	.30 down

Messrs. E. A. Pierce & Co. Report:—Traders, who were bullish last week, have apparently turned bearish and trading has been largely professional. We think that outside liquidation is of very small proportions. Business done: 1,000,000 shares.

	Last	To-day's	Price.	Price.
Air Reduction	59 1/2	57 1/2		
Allied Chemical & Dye	80 1/2	79		
American Can	131	130 1/2		
American Tel. & T.	108 1/2	104		
American Tob. "B"	81 1/2	58 1/2		
Anaconda Copper Mining	6 1/2	6 1/2		
Auburn	51 1/2	50 1/2		
Borden Co.	25 1/2	25 1/2		
Canadian Pacific	13 1/2	13 1/2		
Chrysler Motors	10 1/2	10 1/2		
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	59 1/2	58 1/2		
Drugs, Inc.	34	33 1/2		
Du Pont de Nemours	37 1/2	36 1/2		
Eastman Kodak	55 1/2	54 1/2		
Electric Bond & Share	19 1/2	19 1/2		
General Electric	15 1/2	15 1/2		
General Foods	24 1/2	24 1/2		
General Motors	13 1/2	13 1/2		
Gillette Safety	19 1/2	19 1/2		
Internat. Harvester	22 1/2	21 1/2		
Internat. Tel. & Tel.	7 1/2	6 1/2		
Piggott & Myers "B"	57 1/2	55		
Loew's Inc.	20 1/2	18 1/2		
Montgomery Ward	13 1/2	13 1/2		
National Biscuit	40 1/2	38		
Pacific Gas & Electric	29 1/2	29 1/2		
Pennsylvania Railway	14 1/2	14 1/2		
Radio Corp.	5 1/2	5		
Sears Roebuck	20 1/2	19 1/2		
Standard Oil Co. of N.J.	29 1/2	29 1/2		
Sagony-Vacuum Corp.	7 1/2	7 1/2		
Union Carbide & Carbon	25 1/2	24 1/2		
Union Pacific	71 1/2	69 1/2		
United States Steel	28 1/2	27 1/2		
Westinghouse E. & M.	27 1/2	27 1/2		

BRITISH INDUSTRY GAINS MARKET.

British motorcars are consolidating the ground they have made in the South African market within the past year.

During August last, according to figures issued by the department of census and statistics, 36 per cent. of all the new cars sold in the Union were of British manufacture. In July the British percentage was about 32.—Reuter.

To-day's Short Story.

THE CLIMAX

By Val Guest And
Betty Astell.

THEY stood facing each other. He, with his shaven Teutonic head glowering across the small table that separated them; she, with eyes flashing and bosom rising and falling in hysterical spasms. There was a tense atmosphere in that quiet room. The gramophone that had been playing a jazz tune had come to the end of its melody, and the needle revolved at the end of the disc with a monotonous scratch. When the woman spoke it was with a voice full of emotion.

"Walter! ... you're mad!" She pressed herself against the wall behind the table as the bullet-headed man lurched towards her. "Mad, am I?" he leered. "Mad to be sane! ... yes, I am mad, but, thank the God, I am mad in time! You have been too clever. ..."

He grasped her roughly by the arm, his unshaven face close to hers, his beady eyes piercing her soul. The colour left the woman's face and she grasped the arms of the chair into which he had flung her until her knuckles stood out white against her skin.

"Walter, don't be a fool ..."

she gasped. "A fool! ... that is good ... yes, that is very good ... a fool!" he laughed, with bestial intensity. "That I resent another man in your life, yes, that is foolish! That it drives me insane to see you and laughing, living, loving, that is foolish! ... Himmel! But I am a fool! A fool not to have seen it before!"

She was breathing heavily, and the German was leaning against the mantelpiece, the beads of perspiration standing out on his forehead.

"You are my wife!" He pointed an accusing finger at her pale face. "And in my wife I expect faithfulness. I demand it! Ach! ... What do I get? You are more than a ..."

"Walter! ... be careful what you say!"

"Careful? Why should I be? The whole world knows! It knows of everything you do. People laugh at me! Me! Your 'poor trusting husband!' Careful!" he sneered.

The woman rose from the chair and faced him.

"You're mad," she said, hoarsely, "so wrapped up in yourself that your mind places salacious interpretations on everything I do, everything I say and everything I think! And if I am your wife, does that entail my living like a hermit, seeing no one hearing no one day after day, but listening to your ranting and raving? You demand faithfulness—I demand respect. Walter, I have always been faithful to you."

"You're lying, Leah," he replied, evenly, "as you have always lied! Lies, lies, lies—that is the extent of your faithfulness! And you think me a fool to be led here, led there?"

She crossed the room and, with shaking hands, reached for a cigarette from her bag. He watched her tolerantly with a malicious

TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's short story will be "The Phantom Bus," by W. Elwyn Backus.

smile. "Your hands are shaking, Leah. Surely you, the Wife of Emergency, are not afraid of your husband?"

She turned and, blowing a cloud of smoke from her pursed lips, faced him. The cigarette had steadied her nerves.

"You are being ridiculous," she said, and was surprised at the clamour of her voice. "Every man I meet you accuse me of loving; every letter I write sends you insane with jealousy. Can't you be human? Heaven knows you've given me enough cause to seek sympathy elsewhere; it is a miracle of God that I have not done so!"

She walked to the gramophone, stopped the turntable, and closed the lid of the machine. The German laughed sarcastically.

"You have recovered amazingly, Leah, my darling; but it is too late, for now it is finished! You do not understand!" He strode across the

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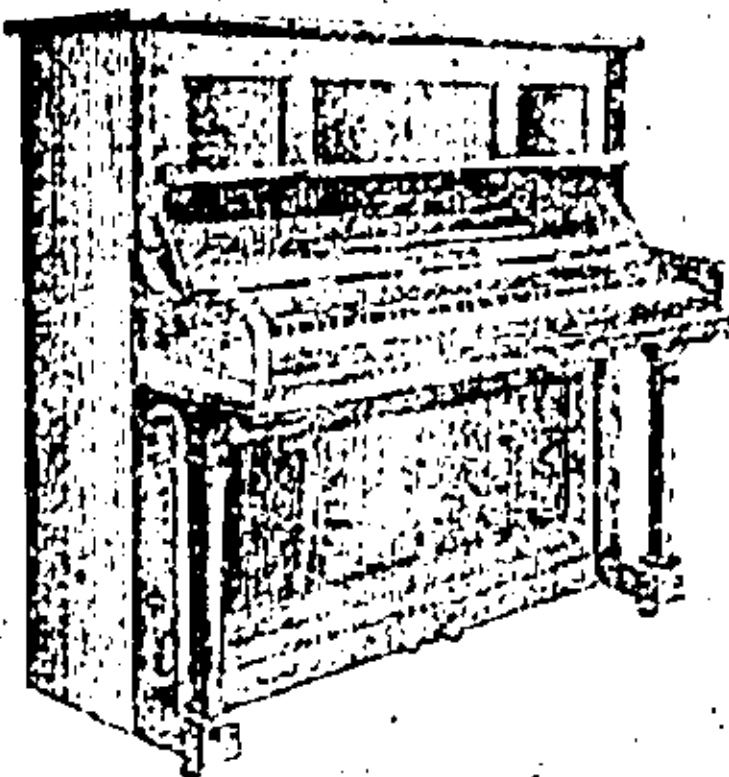
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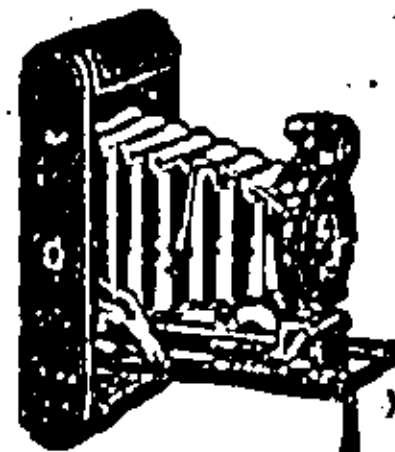


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GATESHEAD v. Barrow
HALIFAX v. Rotherham
HARTLEPOOL v. Mansfield
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STOCKPORT v. Carlisle
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Walsall v. CHESTER
WREXHAM v. New Brighton

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

ABERDEEN v. Celtic
CLYDE v. Airdrieonians
Falkirk v. Cowdenbeath
HAMILTON v. Dundee
HEARTS v. Partick
Kilmarnock v. MOTHERWELL
MORTON v. E. Stirling
QUEEN'S P.K. v. Ayr
RANGERS v. St. Mirren
ST. JO'STONE v. Third Lanark

SHIELD FOOTBALL CONTESTS

Club To Play Borderers
In Senior Shield.

BOTH DRAWS MADE.

At the meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association Council last night Mr. T. A. Mitchell was appointed a member of the Council in the place of Mr. H. M. McTavish who has left for England, and Messrs. G. T. May, W. Caswell, and Capt. G. F. Fleetwood were appointed members of the Selection Committee in connexion with the teams for the Sunday Herald Cup match between England and Wales. The vacancy on the Emergency Committee, caused by Mr. McTavish's retirement, was filled by Mr. G. T. May. Major C. M. Manners O. B. E. was in the chair.

The draw for the Shield Competition was made and no fewer than six teams were given byes in the Senior section, while a large entry of fourteen teams will contest the Junior Championship.

The following is the draw.

SENIOR

Club v. Borderers
Navy v. Police
St. Joseph's, South China, Artillery, Kowloon, Athletic and the Lincolns are all byes.

JUNIOR

Recreo v. Navy
Lincolns v. S. China "A"
S. China "B" v. St. Joseph's
S.W.B. v. R. A.
Athletic "B" v. Kowloon
Athletic "A" v. Ewo
The R.A.F. and the R.A.S.C. receive byes in the First Round.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

The Combined Services soccer eleven will play against the Combined Chinese team in a charity game on Monday. The proceeds of the game, which is to be played at Sookunpoo at 4 p.m., will be in aid of the Ministering Children's League.

CHESS WINNERS.

The following were the winners in the penultimate round of the Kowloon Chess Club championships: Senior—C. E. Wong, A. D. Sequeira and C. M. Sequeira. Junior—H. H. Bush, A. Kurrik, L. Cumetti and T. E. Parry.

Boxing Day.

FIRST DIVISION

ARSENAL v. Leeds
ASTON VILLA v. Wolves
BLACKBURN v. Everton
Bolton v. H'DERSFIELD
DERBY v. Blackpool
LIVERPOOL v. Chelsea
Manchester C. v. WEDNESDAY
NEWCASTLE v. Birmingham
PORTSMOUTH v. Leicester
SHEFFIELD U. v. Middlesbrough
WEST BROM. v. Sunderland

SECOND DIVISION

BRADFORD v. Tottenham
BURY v. Bradford C.
CHARLTON v. Port Vale
FULHAM v. West Ham
GRIMSBY v. Burnley
LINCOLN v. Chesterfield
Notts C. v. Millwall
PLYMOUTH v. Manchester U.
PRESTON v. Oldham
STOKE v. Notts F.
SWANSEA v. Southampton

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).

ALDERSHOT v. Bristol R.
Bournemouth v. Luton
Bristol C. v. Coventry C.
CARDIFF v. Gillingham
CLAPTON v. Torquay
CRYSTAL P. v. Reading
Newport v. WATFORD
N'THAMPTON v. Brentford
QUEEN'S P.R. v. Brighton
Southend v. NORWICH
Swindon v. EXETER

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH).

BARNLEY v. Hartlepool
Carlisle v. GATESHEAD
CHESTER v. Crewe
DONCASTER v. Tranmere
HULL v. Halifax
N. BRIGHTON v. Rochdale
Rotherham v. Mansfield
SOUTHPORT v. Accrington
Stockport v. WALSALL
WREXHAM v. Darlington
York v. Barrow

Tuesday.

FIRST DIVISION

Birmingham v. Newcastle
Blackpool v. DERBY
CHELSEA v. Liverpool
EVERTON v. Blackburn
H'DERSFIELD v. Bolton
Leeds v. Arsenal
Leicester v. Portsmouth
MIDDLESBRO' v. Sheffield U.
WEDNESDAY v. Manchester C.
Wolves v. Aston Vils

SECOND DIVISION

BRADFORD C. v. Bury
BURNLEY v. Grimsby
CHESTERFIELD v. Lincoln
Millwall v. Notts C.
Notts F. v. Stoke
OLDHAM v. Preston
PORT VALE v. Charlton
STHAMPTON v. Swansea
TOTTENHAM v. Bradford
WEST HAM v. Fulham

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).

BRENTFORD v. Northampton
BRIGHTON v. Queen's P.R.
Bristol R. v. Aldershot
COVENTRY v. Bristol C.
EXETER v. Swindon
Gillingham v. CARDIFF
LUTON v. Bournemouth
NORWICH v. Southend
READING v. Crystal P.
TORQUAY v. Clapton
WATFORD v. Newport

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH).

BARROW v. York
CREWE v. Chester
GATESHEAD v. Carlisle
Halifax v. HULL
Hartlepool v. BARNLEY
MANSFIELD v. Rotherham
ROCHDALE v. New Brighton
TRAMMERE v. DONCASTER
WALSALL v. Stockport

[Teams in capital letters denote probable winning combinations while a draw is indicated by both teams being unchanged.]

Y.M.C.A. LOSE.

Lincolns Win Billiards
By 35 Points.

WRIGHT'S 49 BREAK.

Though being defeated on actual games, the Lincolns beat the Y.M.C.A. by 35 points on the aggregate score in their billiards match at the "Y" last night.

The following were the scores:

Y.M.C.A.	Lincolns.
Ponsford 150	Ash 122
Wright 150	James 120
Thompson 150	Herriott 108
Pym 150	Molloy 144
Gray 74	Abbott 160
Tate 85	Atkinson 150
	759
	794

The best break of the evening was credited to Wright who chalked up 49 against James; who in turn registered a break of 37. Ponsford equalled James's feat in his game with Ash. Other breaks of 25 and over were recorded by Thompson (33), Pym (31), Ash (30), Herriott (27) and Atkinson (25).

A return match is being arranged early in the New Year.

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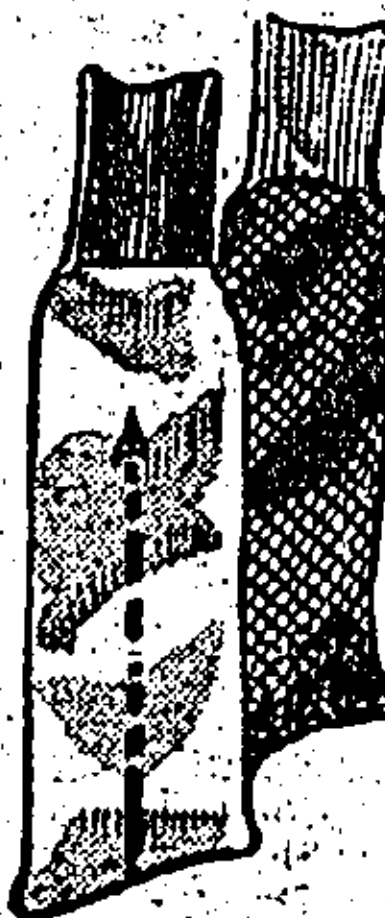
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COMPLETE RACE STATISTICS FOR MACAO

YEAR OF PROGRESS AT MACAO

COLONY INTEREST AROUSED

THE Macao Jockey Club concluded the 1932 racing season last Sunday under extremely pleasant conditions. It has definitely been a year of progress for this junior Club and the seven meetings held this year have proved beyond all doubt that the Colony is interested in racing at Macao.

Below will be found full statistics for the year 1932 on the Ariera Preta course, giving the records of all China and Australian ponies, the jockeys' records, the biggest dividends paid, and the best times recorded.

NEW KING LEADS WAY AT MACAO

Pure Music Second.

ANNIVERSARY EVE HEADS THE AUSTRALIANS.

The following are the pony records for the year 1932 at Macao:

CHINA PONIES.

	1	2	3	up.
New King	3	1	1	3
Pure Music	3	0	2	1
Venturous	2	1	0	1
Ajax	2	1	0	1
Tien Feng Shan	2	0	2	2
Workable Stag	2	0	0	1
Gallant Fox	1	3	2	0
Jingo	1	2	3	2
Powerful King	1	2	0	3
Arminius	1	1	2	2
Whoopee	1	1	0	0
Hasolima	1	1	0	0
Golden Arrow	1	1	0	0
Orlando	1	1	0	1
Shanghai Beau	1	1	0	2
Blue Plane	1	1	0	4
Espy	1	1	0	1
Duchanan	1	1	0	1
White Jade Stag	1	1	0	1
Alexandra Hall	1	1	0	2
Heliotrope Leaf	1	1	0	0
Brown Eyes	1	1	0	0
Hein Via Woo	1	1	0	0
Paul Fry	1	1	0	0
Pathfinder	1	1	0	0
Wild Life	1	1	0	0
Wakefield	1	1	0	1
Toto	1	1	0	1
Wembley Stag	1	1	0	3
Cabinet Hall	1	1	0	3
Stirling Castle	1	1	0	3
Navy Hall	1	1	0	3
Prestwick	1	1	0	3
Guiding Star	1	1	0	3
The Plover	1	1	0	3
Christmas Joy	1	1	0	3
Wonderful Stag	1	1	0	3
Tommy Boy	1	1	0	3
Cebu	1	1	0	3
Allwell	1	1	0	3
Sunbeau	1	1	0	3
Indiana	1	1	0	3
Public Money	1	1	0	3
Champagne Bay	1	1	0	3
Silver Arrow	1	1	0	3
The Cornhill	1	1	0	3
Mount Elburz	1	1	0	3
Country Club	1	1	0	3
Lightship	1	1	0	3
The Slow Bird	1	1	0	3
Sunning	1	1	0	3
Snappy Eve	1	1	0	3
Kanpaz	1	1	0	3
Valley Hall	1	1	0	3
Dashaway	1	1	0	3
Choctaw II	1	1	0	3
Cheerem	1	1	0	3
Gold Bar	1	1	0	3
The Wind	1	1	0	3
Sunny Day	1	1	0	3
Matus Lima	1	1	0	3
As You Like It	1	1	0	3
King's Counsel	1	1	0	3
Powhatan	1	1	0	3
Cedarity	1	1	0	3
Gold Mine	1	1	0	3
Bay of Bellingham II	1	1	0	3
Scrapit	1	1	0	3
Estrellita	1	1	0	3
Punch	1	1	0	3
Just Imagine	1	1	0	3
Whitehall	1	1	0	3
Glorious Stag	1	1	0	3
Tango	1	1	0	3
Blue Love	1	1	0	3
Amos	1	1	0	3
Michael Guy	1	1	0	3
Kate	1	1	0	3
Mac Tallman	1	1	0	3
Tom Thumb	1	1	0	3
Morie Star	1	1	0	3
Echo	1	1	0	3
City of Shanghai	1	1	0	3
Moranagher	1	1	0	3
Florinetta	1	1	0	3
Paasha	1	1	0	3
Violin	1	1	0	3
Cedarity	1	1	0	3
Grampy	1	1	0	3
The Wanderer	1	1	0	3
Frisar John	1	1	0	3
Diplomatus	1	1	0	3
Gold Cup	1	1	0	3
Amos	1	1	0	3
Mistletoe	1	1	0	3

	1	2	3	up.
Hectic	0	0	0	1
Jus Gentium	0	0	0	1
Golden Glory	0	0	0	1
Blue Heaven	0	0	0	1
Thunderous Stag	0	0	0	1
Edenbridge	0	0	0	1
Cream Cracker	0	0	0	1
Iloilo	0	0	0	1
Myrtle Leaf	0	0	0	1
Darkest Eve	0	0	0	1
California	0	0	0	1
Lonesome Life	0	0	0	1
Golden Glory	0	0	0	1
Sonny Boy	0	0	0	1
Good Day	0	0	0	1
Ghost Train	0	0	0	1
Horsey	0	0	0	1
Kulangua	0	0	0	1
Golden Star	0	0	0	1
Pocahontas	0	0	0	1
Little Gem	0	0	0	1
Misamis	0	0	0	1
Cupid	0	0	0	1
Sanction	0	0	0	1
Imperial Hall	0	0	0	2
Empress Hall	0	0	0	2
Venus	0	0	0	2
Blue Heaven	0	0	0	2
The Shoveller	0	0	0	2
Gold Standard	0	0	0	2
Bright Eyes	0	0	0	2
Valetta	0	0	0	2
Malakit	0	0	0	2
Silver Key	0	0	0	2
Crown Prince	0	0	0	2
Highjinks	0	0	0	2
Jupiter	0	0	0	2
The Rainstorm	0	0	0	2
Drain	0	0	0	2
San Francisco	0	0	0	3
Fighting Blood	0	0	0	3
Common	0	0	0	3
Shaw Lee	0	0	0	3
The Gadwall	0	0	0	4
Genghis-Khan	0	0	0	7
Tai Ping Yang	0	0	0	7

AUSTRALIAN PONIES

	1	2	3	up.
Anniversary Eve	2	0	1	0
But After That	1	1	0	0
City of Melbourne	1	1	0	0
Manna	1	1	0	0
The Rainbow	1	1	0	0
Gold Digger	1	1	0	2
Aurora	0	0	1	0
Joaquim	0	0	1	1
Miss Jummy	0	0	1	1
Kilrea	0	0	1	2

BEST TIMES

China And Australian Ponies.

VALLEY HALL'S EFFORT.

THE following were the fastest times recorded over the various distances on the Macao Jockey Club course this year, the Australian ponies being given second in the events they were entered for:

6 Furlongs:
Venturous (Mr. S. Y. Liang) 1.35.2.
City of Melbourne (Mr. L. G. Frost) 1.25.8.
7 Furlongs:
Alexandra Hall (Mr. F. M. L. Soares) 1.49.
But After That (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 1.41.
Once Round:
Pure Music (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 1.56.
Manna (Mr. G. A. Harriman) 1.50.4.
1 Mile:
Valley Hall (Mr. D. Black) 2.04.
1 1/4 Miles:
Orlando (Mr. Y. M. Loo) 2.48.
Anniversary Eve (Mr. Y. S. Chang) 2.38.8.
1 1/2 Miles:
White Jade Stag (Mr. L. G. Frost) 3.24.6.
1 3/4 Miles:
Wild Life (Mr. S. N. Pan) 3.45.2.

LUCY GLITTERS TO BE AUCTIONED.

Joaquim And Changte Other Australians.

ECHO TO CHANGE HANDS.

To-day's Auction of Ponies At The Paddock.

OVER twenty race ponies will be sold by auction at the paddock of the Jockey Club to-day at 5.15 p.m. Hughes and Hough, Ltd., are the auctioneers.

Lucy Glitters, winner of two races, second in four, and third in four, will be the centre of interest. Other prominent Australian ponies which will change hands are Joaquim (a win, a second and a third), and Changte (one win). Among the China ponies are Echo, Azalea Leaf, Silver Key, Toto, Whitehall, King's Parade, Helvellyn, Estrellita, Good Day, Judy, and Silver Star.

Racing Personalities

Mr. S. N. Pan.



ARRIVING in the Colony in October, 1930, Mr. Pan has gone from success to success on the Valley track. This year he is second only to Mr. L. G. Frost in the list of local jockeys. The following have been his records for the past three years:

	1	2	3	Un	Total
1930	4	8	6	15	33
1931	13	16	16	49	93
1932	19	20	18	57	114

Mr. Pan began riding in Hankow in 1920 and was a prominent jockey in that city for eight years. Transferred to Shanghai in December 1927 he met with numerous successes both at the International Race Club and at Kiangwan.

—A.E.L.

TRAINING TRACK REPAIRED.

During the year repairs have been carried out to the training track of the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley. The work carried out was the repairing of the foundations around half the width of the track, and the renewal of parts of the surface materials. It was hoped to carry out an overhaul of the whole track, but the foundations were found to be in such a bad state of repair that the period available was devoted to the half first investigated.

OLD STABLES SOLD.

The principal financial event of the Hong Kong Jockey Club's half year was the sale of the site of the old stables at Causeway Bay, at the price of \$7,000 per square foot, realising a total of \$321,929. The deal was put through by Mr. V. C. Grayburn, the buyers being the Metropolitan Land and Building Company, Ltd.

1933 Subscription Griffins Named By Owners

Impressive Try Outs At The Valley

MANY of the 44 Subscription Griffins, which arrived in Hong Kong recently, were seen out on the course this morning, and several impressive gallops were witnessed. It is, however, a little early yet to select rivals to Racing Boy and the other leading China ponies of the year, though there is every indication that an extremely promising group of ponies will make their debut at the Valley in February.

The second batch of 40 odd subs. should arrive in the Colony within the next fortnight, and are claimed to be even better than the first batch which escaped being delayed by the floods at Hallar. The following subscription griffins of the first batch have been named by their owners, the brand number of the pony, the name, colour, height and stable name being given below:—

- C32, Honolulu Moon, Bay, 14.1, Yam Man.
- C33, Peastie, Bay, 13.2, Fairshon.
- C34, Spring Field, Bay, 13.2, Field.
- C37, Jack O'Lantern, Bay, 13.3, Sureton.
- C42, Charming Face, Bay, 13.2, Samson.
- C43, Cicero, Bay, 13.1, Grist and Beck.
- C49, Lucky Star, Bay, 13.2, S. M. Kong.
- C52, Heather Leaf, Bay, 13.3, A. H. Carroll.
- C53, Double Eagle, Bay, 13.3, Mrs. Mok Hing-wing.
- C56, Partnership, Bay, 13.2, S. B. K.
- C58, Warrington, Bay, 13.2, Lancashire.
- C60, Little Rock, Bay, 14.0, Own.
- C72, Gold Box, Bay, 13.3, L. T. F.
- C74, Klickitat, Bay, 13.2, Mrs. Dunbar.
- C76, Krata Viz, Bay, 14.0, H. P. Rees.
- C78, Flying Boy, Bay, 14.0, H. S. Chan.
- C79, Tiptop, Bay, 13.3, D. E. Sassoon and Mrs. Priestley.
- C80, Never Mind, Bay, 13.3, Mok Hing-wing.
- C86, Black Rock, Black, 13.3, Mrs. Lowcock.
- C64, Black Velvet, Black, 14.0, H. L.
- C75, Malva, Black, 13.2, Li Fuk-wing and Li Fuk-fai.
- C61, Wonderful Chivalry, Brown, 13.2, Shum Sung.
- C81, Invincible, Chestnut, 13.2, H. L. Yung.
- C88, King Salmon, Chestnut, 14.0, Dynasty.
- C40, Goldbridge, Chestnut, 14.0, Mrs. Pearce.
- C41, Auction Bridge, Chestnut, 13.2, Lo.
- C45, Burgomaster, Chestnut, 14.0, Wong Sui-ngau.
- C46, Jingle, Chestnut, 14.0, A. Z.
- C47, Golden Dragon, Chestnut, 13.3, Gold.
- C54, The Goat, Chestnut, 13.2, Wayfoong.
- C55, Brown Willy, Chestnut, 13.2, Bellamy and Gordon.
- C57, City of Canton, Chestnut, 13.3, A. E. M. Rafeek.
- C59, The Leprechaun, Chestnut, 13.2, Ulster.
- C65, Poverty Bay, Chestnut, 13.3, L. Dunbar.
- C67, Myreside, Chestnut, 14.0, Sello.
- C68, Philtrerr, Chestnut, 13.3, A. L. Hosie.
- C62, Oh! Yeah, Cream, 13.3, A. M. L. Soares.
- C77, Biscuit, Cream, 13.3, Quartermaster.
- C50, Hey Tor, Dun, 13.2, Mrs. Tinson.
- C85, Swale, Blue Dun, 13.2, Mackle and Grayburn.
- C66, November 22nd, Blue Dun, 13.2, S. S. Li.
- C51, Iron Grey, Grey, 13.1, Hau Un.
- C71, White Butterfly, Grey, 13.3, Au Tat-hing.

MR. G. U. DA ROZA HEADS LIST.

Champion's Six Winners At Macao.

JOCKEYS' RECORDS.

MR. G. U. DA ROZA heads the list of winning jockeys at Macao during 1932 with a very creditable record for the twenty-two races in which he rode. Mr. L. G. Frost, the champion jockey, was third, having ridden in only nineteen races.

The following are the complete records for 1932:

	1	2	3	Un
G. U. da Roza	7	3	4	8
A. W. da Roza	6	4	2	15
L. G. Frost	6	2	5	6
R. Carroll	4	3	7	8
Harriman	4	3	3	16
J. E. Noronha	3	2	3	2
A. L. Caplan	3	0	2	10
Ip Kiu-ying	3	0	0	5
E. O. Butler	2	5	4	16
R. E. Charles	2	3	1	12
D. Black	2	2	0	12
S. Y. Liang	2	2	0	3
Y. T. Fung	1	3	1	4
W. W. Miles	1	3	0	6
A. A. R. Botelho	1	2	1	16
Loo	1	2	0	2
F. M. L. Soares	1	1	0	3
S. N. Pan	1	0	1	0
Y. S. Chang	1	0	1	2
H. P. Rees	1	0	1	5
H. Noor	0	2	1	2
Y. M. Loo	0	2	0	0
Stewart	0	1	0	1
Tang, Man-wa	0	1	0	4
P. Young	0	1	0	6
T. P. H. Kamble	0	1	0	11
H. C. Benham	0	0	3	9
J. P. Heard	0	0	1	0

SIX THREE-FIGURE DIVIDENDS AT MACAO DURING 1932.

Mr. H. P. Rees Leads With \$528 For A Win.

THE following were the three-figure dividends paid on winning ponies at Macao during the year 1932:

- \$ cts.
- 528.30—Shanghai Beau (Mr. H. P. Rees)
- 298.50—Valley Hall (Mr. D. Black)
- 179.60—Toto (Mr. G. A. Harriman)
- 123.60—Pure Music (Mr. D. Black)
- 108.00—New King (Mr. A. L. Caplan)
- 100.30—Hain Sul Woo (Mr. Ip Kiu-ying)

	1	2	3	Un
Bramwell	0	0	1	1
L. R. B. Tuxford	0	0	1	4
R. F. Chanson	0	0	1	12
A. M. L. Soares	0	0	0	1
W. Stanton	0	0	0	1
H. V. Pearce	0	0	0	1
W. H. Chey	0	0	0	1
S. W. Tang	0	0	0	1
Figueroa	0	0	0	1
S. K. Wong	0	0	0	1
G. P. Ferguson	0	0	0	1
Davy	0	0	0	1
M. C. Tang	0	0	0	2
F. Lohel	0	0	0	2
B. A. Proulx	0	0	0	2
H. A. de B. Botelho	0	0	0	2
T. F. Saunders	0	0	0	2
Lee	0	0	0	2
H. A. S. Alves	0	0	0	2



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CHICHIBU MARU	Wednesday	9th February.
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HEIAN MARU (starts from Kobe)	Saturday	21st January.
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KASHIMA MARU	Saturday	7th January.
YASUKUNI MARU	Friday	20th January.
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ATSUTA MARU	Saturday	24th December.
KAMO MARU	Saturday	21st January.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.		
† NAGATO MARU	Thursday	29th December.
TANGO MARU	Wednesday	11th January.
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NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama, Liverpool via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, Genoa and Valencia.		
† DURBAN MARU	Tuesday	17th January.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.		
† RANGOON MARU	Thursday	29th December.
† PENANG MARU	Friday	6th January.
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K.J.S. Prize List Announced

Headmistress Reviews Term Activities

SCHOOL'S FINE RECORD

Standings are announced in the Kowloon Junior School and the Headmistress' report for the term has been issued.

The prize list is as follows:

Class 7.—First Prize and Scholarship, Jenny Felshaw; Second Prize, Richard Labrum; Headmistress's Prize (for greatest progress), Jean Nelson; Special Prize (Drawing), Douglas Iffa.

Class 8.—First Prize, Dolores Hensley; Second Prize, Joan McFadyen; Headmistress's Prize (for hard work and progress), Edward Beatty; Special Prize (progress), Anthony Ridlington; Special Prize (most "work stars"), Dolores Hensley, Joan McFadyen, Brian Mahoney, Joan Hodge, Edward Beatty, Betty Goodwin, Anthony Ridlington, June Moss.

Class 9A.—First Prize, Eleanor Lever; Second Prize, Guy Mullarkey; Headmistress's Prize (progress), Billy Kelly; Special Prizes (progress), Derek House and Roger Arnold; Conduct, John Wright; Reliability, Dennis Harris; Needlework, Moira Lawrence.

Class 9B.—First Prize, David McKenzie; Second Prize, Sandy Baxter; Headmistress's Prize (progress), Winifred Ingram; Special Prizes: General Neatness, Poppy Arnold; Tables, Dorothy Stratford; Sketching, Brian Patrickson; Good Progress, Dick Trott; General Progress, Ruth Barrett; Needlework, Sybil Rousseau.

Class 10A.—First Prize, Jean Hale; Handwork, Eva Grady; Special Prizes (Progress and Good Conduct), James Lothian; John Cameron; Jack Way; Jill Stokes; Kenneth Handy.

Class 10B.—First Prize, Jocelyn Ridlington; Second Prize, Nan Taylor; Third Prize, Margaret Rodgers; Handwork (1) Olive Wheeler; (2) June Tinson; Special Prizes (Progress and Conduct), Roy Styles; Kathleen Hyde-Lay; Muriel McIntyre; Jean Grady. Royal Drawing Society Certificates Honours:—Jenny Felshaw, Sheena Taylor, Brenda Nives, Alec Fraser, Edward Beatty, Jean Nelson, June Moss, Albert Odell, Dorothy McCaw, Avice Sanderson, George Jowitt, Murray Nish, Dolores Hensley, Frank Bishop, Brian Mahoney, Douglas Iffa, Robin Hall, Ellen Spence, Evelyn Rousseau, Florence McKelvie, Derek Foreman, Betty Goodwin, George Wright.

Prizes:—Ruth Kehr and Willard Grant.

The Headmistress' Report of the Kowloon Junior School, 1932, is issued.

"The attendance was well maintained throughout the year."

"In February, Mrs. Hooper and Miss Anderson went on home leave, and Mrs. Hudson and Mrs. Wyatt took on their work. Mrs. Beattie was transferred to King's College in March, and Mrs. Clark came to us in April. Miss Knill succeeded Miss Swift as Games

Mistress in January and she has given lessons here twice a week. "Mr. Brawn, Inspector of English Schools, visited the school several times during the course of the year."

Health Inspection.

"Dr. Minett visited in February, June and October. The new entrants, and the 8-9 years old group of children, had the routine medical inspection. Parents were invited to attend the inspections and a number did so."

"In October the children formerly found to have some health defect, 14 in number, were re-inspected. Five had improved, and five had left for England. Defects were chiefly those of teeth, tonsils, or enlarged glands."

"The general health of the children is good, 26 cases of infectious disease have been notified, mumps, whooping cough, and measles being the most usual. Several children have milk in the lunch interval, and have been benefited. Most parents are very careful in reporting any occurrence of infectious disease in their family or house, but a few forgot the importance of letting the school know of this at once."

"The knowledge allows precautions (in disinfecting a child's pencils, etc.) to be taken, and observation to be made of any sign of ill-health in the class. If attention is directed to these early, the complaint may be prevented from becoming epidemic."

"For the Preparatory examination of the Royal Drawing Society in June, 28 entered and they all passed—24 with honours."

"Twenty children are going up to the Central British School in January."

Successful Sports. "I have two innovations to report. We had our first Sports Day on March 17, organized by Miss Knill, our Games Mistress. Several of the senior boys of the Central British School rendered great assistance. The Kowloon Cricket Club kindly gave us the use of their grounds for the occasion, and many parents and friends were present. Mr. Brawn, Inspector of English Schools, presided and announced that the event had been such a success that it would be repeated annually."

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"On June 25 we had our "Open Day" when parents could come and see the children at work in their own form-rooms, inspect their hand-work, etc."

The Headmistress expresses her thanks for the assistance given by individuals and organisations in the school work for the year.

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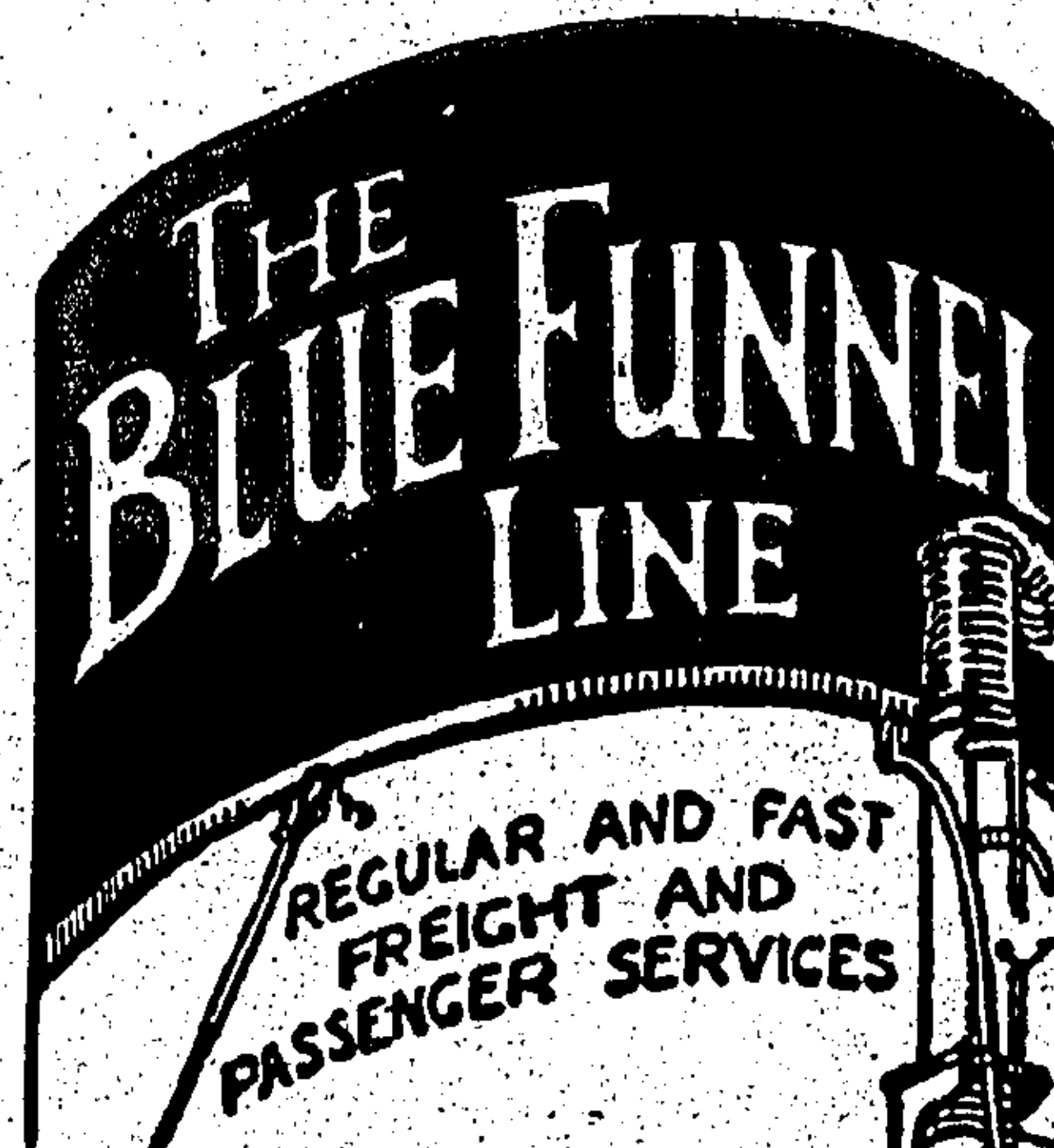
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COMORIN	16,000	25th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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THE CLIMAX

(Continued from page 7.)

room. "I will explain more fully to you that if once more I see that schwein-hund with you I shall not be responsible for my actions." He grasped her arm again, and his nails bit into her flesh. She wrenched herself free. "You're hurting me! Listen, Walter; this had to come some time, and it might as well be now. I, too, am finished . . . finished with you!"

"Leah! . . . Leah, you don't mean that?"

"I do. I'm tired of this unending inquisition. I'm finished, and I'm glad of it!"

All the pent-up emotions of hatred and anger glared in the German's eyes. With a hoarse cry he caught her by the throat.

"Then, so help me! You are finished with everything!"

His plump fingers dug into her neck and she gasped for breath. "Walter! . . . The choking scream cleaved the air as a knife. . . . Walter, don't! . . . you're choking me. . . . Walter! . . . Oh . . . !"

The nerve-shattering shriek brought the man to his senses. He stared in a dull, uncomprehending way at the inert figure in his arms. Then, as though the full realization of his act had suddenly dawned upon him, he drew his hands away and the body slipped in a lifeless heap to the floor. He turned to the window.

For perhaps three seconds there was profound silence, then suddenly the murmur of voices made him turn, and he smiled.

He looked at the woman on the ground. "Right!" he said. "Now hold that position, Tina. That's where I want you to fall, and that's how I want the scene to be played!"

The studio was once more a hive of industry. The scene which the director had just rehearsed had held them spell-bound by its intensity. Now, the spell was broken, and camera men, electricians, and artists wiped the perspiration from their foreheads.

Hugo Sturm, the famous German director, called across the set.

"Good! I want a spot light on Miss Tina . . . and dim those floods, will you! Camera to shoot here!" He motioned with his arm. Malcolm Vaughan strolled across to the German and proffered his manuscript.

"Herr Sturm, I haven't half that dialogue in my script."

Sturm waved it aside. "Then do as I did," he grunted, "let yourself go! . . . Put in your own lines! Are these amateur dramatics? No! It is a super-film because she loved me, but because . . . super, I tell you! You've got to be alive! Look the part, give me your interpretation of human emotions! I cannot direct you in that! . . . you are supposed to be an actor!"

The star shrugged his shoulders and walked off. Sturm moved over to the camera and surveyed the scene through the lens. He nodded his satisfaction, and then turned to Tina, who still lay in the spot light. "All right, Tina, you can get up."

The woman took no notice. "Tina!" the director bellowed, "we've finished the lighting; you can get up."

Still there was no answer or movement from the woman on the floor. Malcolm Vaughan crossed over to her and dropped suddenly on one knee by her side.

"My God!" he said, "she's faint. Quick! Get me some water!"

The director raised his eyebrows. "You'd better call a doctor in that case," he said, and sat down in his chair.

Vaughan turned and faced the German. "My God, Sturm! You've treated her pretty roughly . . . Look at the marks on her neck!"

The German waved his hands in disdain. "So! . . . I was carried away!"

"But, good heavens, man, there's no excuse for this!" The actor crossed the woman's neck. "Poor little Tina," he murmured. "Poor darling . . . " And then to Sturm: "You'd no excuse . . . "

The German's face had undergone an amazing change during the last few seconds. A vein stood out on his livid forehead, and he lurched from his chair.

"No excuse, you say . . . no excuse! Ach! Don't be such a fool, man. Do you think I am more blind than friend 'Walter' in our film? . . . Do you think I've not noticed all the looks passing between you two?"

The way you have played those love scenes! . . . So charming! . . . So real! . . . No excuse, you say!" He grasped Vaughan by the arm, "I have every excuse! For weeks when I have kissed her she has shut her eyes and imagined it was you! When I hold her to me, it is in your arms she is resting! No excuse! Do you both think I am blind?"

The actor blushed. "Sturm!" he cried. The director pushed him away. "No, Vaughan, I don't attach much blame to you . . . She is always doing it . . . always, when my back is turned, when she thinks I do not see! She married me, not dramatics? No! It is a super-film because she loved me, but because . . . super, I tell you! You've got to be alive! Look the part, give me your interpretation of human emotions! I cannot direct you in that! . . . you are supposed to be an actor!"

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have no illusions about that . . . she allows me none! But I love her!" He peered into the other's face. "Strange, is it not? . . . I love her."

The camera man had pushed his way between the two men. "Hey! Steady!"

"Sturm! Calm yourself!" faltered Vaughan.

The arrival of the doctor put an end to further scenes. He pushed his way through the group of electricians clustering round Tina, who had been placed in a chair. With professional quickness he examined her, then straightened with a quick intake of breath.

"Who did this?" he asked sharply. "There was a dead silence."

"Why?" asked Sturm slowly. The doctor drew himself to his full height and faced the German. "Because she's dead," he said quietly.

There was a strangled cry from Malcolm Vaughan.

As for Hugo Sturm, he was perfectly composed. Vaughan was the first to break the uncanny silence.

"Dead! . . . Sturm, you've killed her! . . . Do you hear? You're a murderer! By God, you shall hang for this . . . you shall hang!"

"There was a dead silence. Then: 'O.K.!' shouted an American voice somewhere outside. It all 'Cut! That was swell! You can break for lunch, boys and girls. How do you feel, Tina, after the choke?'"

The "dead" woman rose from the chair and straightened her hair. "Pretty hungry," she said. And the filming of "The Studio Murder" was shelved while the company went to eat.

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POLICE SUSPECT MURDER.
Body Washed Ashore At Nim Wan.
The decomposed body of a Chinese man, aged about 40 years, was found by Sergeant W. N. Headridge washed up on the foreshore at Nim Wan, Ping Shan district, yesterday afternoon. Police suspect the man was murdered and investigations are proceeding.
The man's wrists were bound tightly behind with sea grass. Between the lining of one of four blue jackets he was wearing was found \$3 in 20 cent Canton pieces and in the right outer lower jacket pocket were found two keys and a shoe lift. The body had apparently been washed up on the foreshore at high tide yesterday.
It was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary.

SCOTLAND'S DIVORCE LISTS GROW.
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A marked increase in divorce actions in Scotland last year is shown by newly-published statistics for 1931. There were 600 divorce actions in 1931 compared with 501 in 1930—an increase of practically 20 per cent.
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CAR SKIDS OVER EMBANKMENT.
Coolies Hurt And Lady Shaken.
Six Chinese coolies are now in the Government Civil Hospital as a result of a motor mishap which occurred yesterday near the A. King Slipway at Causeway Bay.
Mrs. Phillips, the wife of Mr. A. R. H. Phillips, the manager of the Taikee Sugar Refinery Co., was also involved, but escaped with no more than a severe shock.
Mrs. Phillips was being driven towards town when, after passing the Slipway the car swerved to the right in order to avoid two children the chauffeur could not pull up in time, and the car skidded down the stone slope into the sea.
The car hit several coolies who were resting on the edge of the slope, and carried them along. It was low tide at the time, and the vehicle finished up with its front wheels embedded in the mud, but the rear wheels were on dry land.
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